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Land of Liberty

The BYU football team will travel to Tennessee to play in the Liberty Bowl against Tulane on New Year's Eve.

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Stayin' put

Students who stayed in town for Thanksgiving found ways to celebrate the holiday.

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Heartbreak

The Men's Basketball team lost to the 11th-ranked Arizona Wildcats in overtime 78-74.

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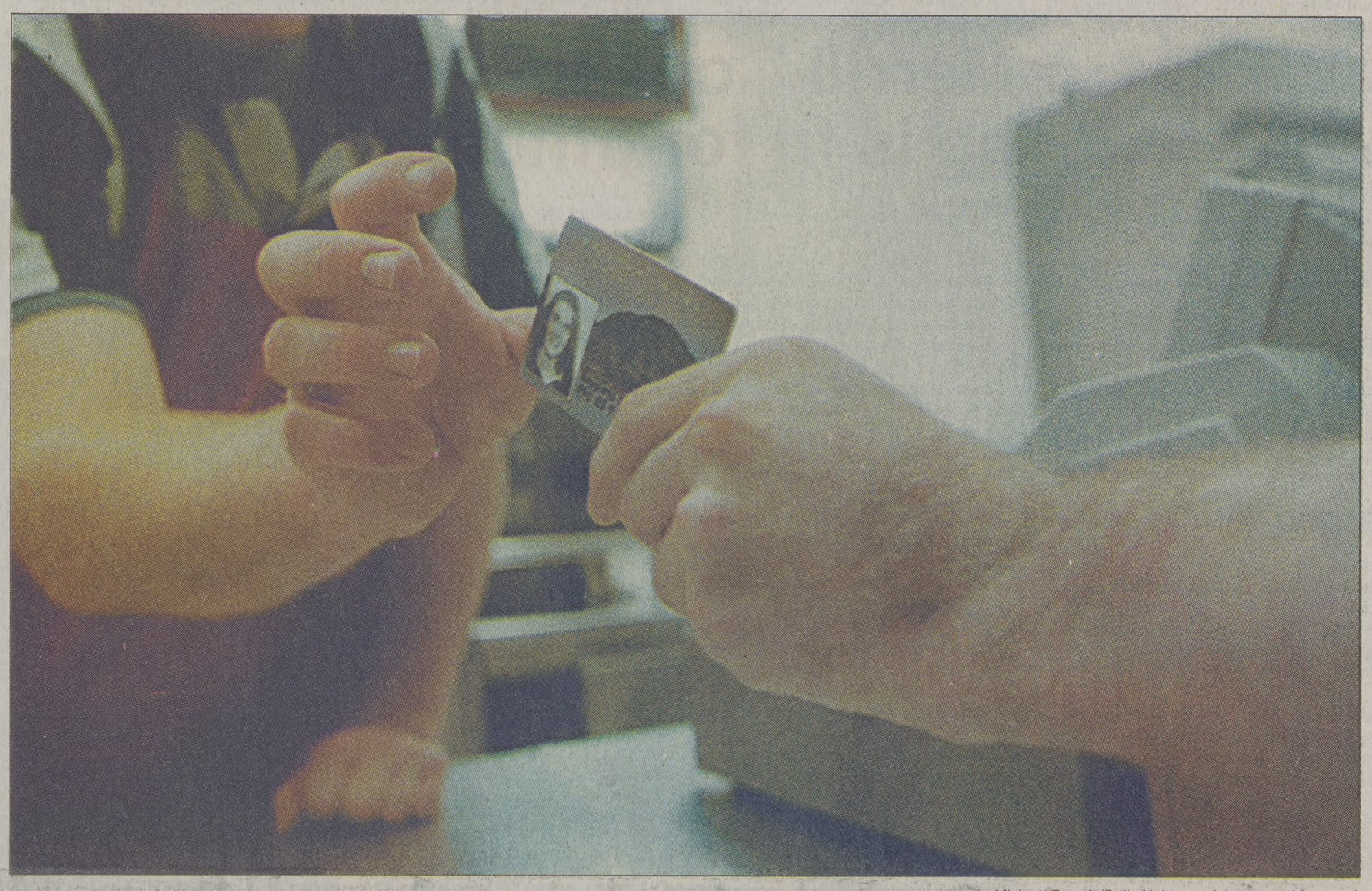

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Stolen BYU IDs are easy to use

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Losing a BYU ID card may cause more than an identity crisis. A NewsNet experiment indicated it may also bring on financial loss.

In multiple trips to the BYU Bookstore, the Cougareat, the Harold B. Lee Library, the Cannon Center, Campus Craft and Floral and computer labs, NewsNet staff writers used — under owner supervision — other students' cards.

The staff writers were able to purchase almost $50 worth of various goods, check books out of the library and make computer printouts and photocopies. Not once were they prevented from performing these activities.

At the BYU Bookstore, a male staff writer used a female staff writer's card to purchase a $12.95 book. Two male staff writers also bought meals at Taco Bell in the Cougareat using female writers' cards. A female staff writer purchased a meal at Subway in the Cougareat, about $6 worth of merchandise at Campus Craft and Floral and about $6 worth of merchandise at the BYU Bookstore. A male staff writer tried to use a female's card at the BYU Bookstore and was stopped because the card reader was not working. And in two different trips to the BYU library, male and female staff writers were able to use a female writer's card to check out books and make computer printouts and photocopies.

Only once, in the HBLL, did any employee say the name on the card. But the HBLL employee just looked at the name on the card, and did not prevent the staff writer from checking out the book, despite the ID picture being different.

Amanda Pousard, 18, a freshman from Los Angeles studying elementary education, allowed staff writers to make her purchases in the Cannon Center Cafeteria using her Dining Plus option on her card. She was not surprised that the Staff Writers were able to use her card.

"Most of the time they just run it through," she said.

Pousard said the only time an employee checked her card was when her roommate tried to purchase shakes for both of them.

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Credit card fraud costs consumers

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It happens countless times each day. An automatic teller bank receipt is left dangling from the machine. A bank statement is put in the trash can. A credit card number is given to a phone solicitor. All of these occurrences will leave someone wide open to credit card fraud.

According a United States Secret Service report, fraud cost credit card companies — and ultimately consumers — more than $3 billion in 1997. The three largest companies, Visa, MasterCard and American Express, accounted for more than half of the losses, at $1.8 million.

Credit card users usually have only a limited liability of $50 to $200 dollars when their name or credit card number is used to perpetuate fraud. Instead, all credit card customers pay for credit card fraud through higher interest payments. According to a news release from MasterCard, its customers paid about 7.7 cents for every $100 of transaction volume because of credit card fraud in 1997. That sounds like a small amount, but it adds up to $462 million.

The Christmas season, known as a season of giving to most people, offers more opportunities to take advantage of people who are too free with their credit card numbers.

"During this time of year, people are using their plastic a little more," said Francine Giani, director of the Utah Division of Customer Protection. "People should be a little more careful."

Although the percentage of fraud to credit sales does not necessarily rise during the holiday season, overall fraud goes up because more people are using credit cards.

Giani said people often become careless with their credit card numbers during the holiday season because they use them so much. She said credit card users should know several things to protect their credit history.

Giani said people should be careful giving out any personal information that could be used to obtain new credit cards. Using information, such as someone else's Social Security number, to obtain credit cards, is part of a growing trend known as identity theft.

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TIPS TO PROTECT SIGNATURE CARDS

- Report lost or stolen cards immediately
- Don't lend your card to anybody
- Don't release your social security number
- Keep your card in a secure place
- Update your address with BYU so the ID center can contact you.

HOW TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN ID CARD

- Call or visit the ID center to see if it is there
- Call or visit the signature card office to put a lock on it
- If you find your card, call the signature card office to release the lock

TIPS TO PROTECT CREDIT CARDS

- Shred or keep bank statements.
- Do not give a credit card number to telephone solicitors.
- Burn credit cards; don't just cut them up.
- Only use credit cards at places you know.
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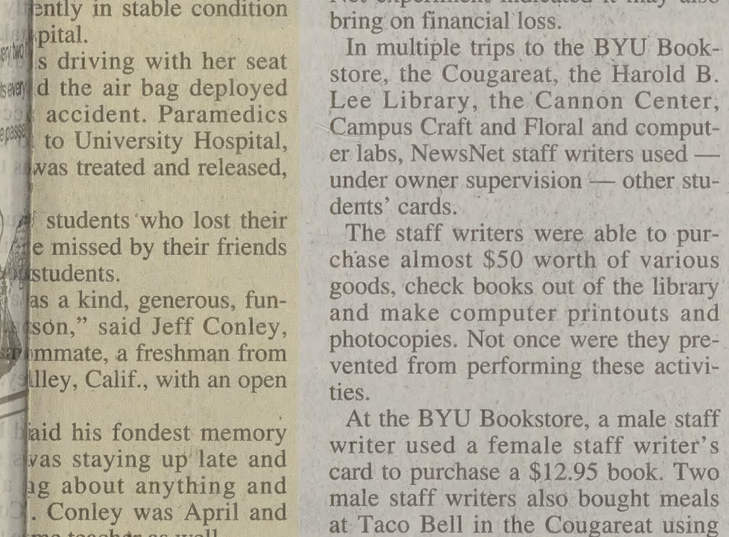
Be polite when surfing the Internet



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The Internet is so new, rules and expectations regarding appropriate conduct while using the Internet are just starting to form. Newcomers to the Internet may not know what is expected of them.

As with all forms of etiquette, though, the rules surrounding appropriate conduct on the Internet require common sense and courtesy.

The number one rule for Internet etiquette or Netiquette is "remember the human," according to the Web site devoted to Virginia Shea's book "Netiquette."

The impersonal nature of the Internet creates an atmosphere where users feel comfortable writing offensive and rude material they otherwise would never write or say.

When using the Internet, it's important to remember there is another person at the other end who wouldn't appreciate receiving offensive material. Internet users should never send anything over the Internet they wouldn't mind getting themselves.

If common decency doesn't do the trick, remember, people well-versed in Internet technology can wreak havoc on the virtual world. It is very possible for an infuriated computer guru to sever someone's link to the Internet if that person sends an offensive message.

Also, Net users should never engage in the annoying practice of spamming, meaning sending out junk e-mail, according to the Claris Guide to E-Mail Etiquette at http://www.claris.com/products/claris/emailer/eguide/index.html.

Rule number two in Netiquette, according to Shea, is to "adhere to the same standards of behavior online that you follow in real life."

It is important for an Internet user to be just as ethical and law-abiding in the cyber world as that user would be, or should be, in the real world.

"In real life, most people are fairly law-abiding, either by disposition or because we're afraid of getting caught. In cyberspace, the chances of getting caught sometimes seem slim," according to Shea.

Laws and ethics are important in cyberspace for the same reasons they are in real life: to prevent the infringement on others rights and maintain order.

The third rule in Netiquette is "know where you are in cyberspace," according to Shea.

Internet users need to know what is considered acceptable language and behavior in the area of cyberspace they are exploring, because it varies just as different sections of society vary.

A chat group discussing the latest movie would have a much more relaxed tone than an academic discussion group, for example.

Rule number four, according to Shea, is "respect other people's time and bandwidth."

If possible, Internet users should log in to popular sites during off-peak times to even out the system's load and allow more people to use the site, according to the Netiquette guidelines at http://www.dtcc.edu/cs/fc1855.html.

Also, be concise when writing e-

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News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Police investigating baby girl's death

SOUTH SALT LAKE — Police were investigating the death of a 2-month-old girl whose body was found in an apartment with drug paraphernalia.

The child's mother called 911 and told dispatchers the girl wasn't breathing. Paramedics arrived about 3:15 p.m. Wednesday and the child was dead, Police Capt. Beau Babka said.

"It looked like the baby died a couple of hours before we arrived," Babka said. "We don't know the cause of death and probably won't know until the autopsy. Right now, we're treating it as suspicious."

The mother, 20, told investigators she went to bed about 3 a.m., woke up about 12 hours later and discovered the girl wasn't breathing.

The woman's boyfriend, 25, rents the apartment the two live in. He refused to let officers search the residence. Police obtained a search warrant and went in about 7 p.m., Babka said. Officers found a crack pipe and other contraband.

The woman also has a 2-year-old daughter who lives in the apartment. She went to stay with relatives while police investigated. The mother and the boyfriend went to the police station for questioning. The girl's name was not released pending notification of her biological father.

Federal judge, wife shot to death

MISSION, Kan. — A federal judge and his ailing wife were found shot to death in their home Sunday, federal authorities said.

U.S. District Judge Earl O'Connor, 76, and his wife, Jean Ann O'Connor, 66, were discovered after a nurse who regularly visited the couple's home found no answer at their door, the FBI said. The nurse notified a relative, who called police.

Both apparently had been shot once, and investigators found no sign of forced entry, said Jeff Lanza, special agent in the Kansas City, Mo., office of the FBI. A gun was found in the bedroom where both bodies were discovered, he said.

The FBI would not say if the case was being treated as a murder-suicide and refused to comment on possible motives.

Germans dismiss transsexual mayor

QUELLENDORF, Germany — Residents of the eastern German village of Quellendorf voted to dismiss their mayor Sunday after he announced he was becoming a woman.

Norbert Lindner, 40, was elected to a seven-year term in 1996 but shocked many villagers last summer when he began wearing women's clothes and calling himself Michaela.

Lindner's celebrity has since spread far beyond the village of 1,048 people, where transsexuals from Germany and France converged Sunday to show support for the mayor.

Quellendorf's citizens voted to oust Lindner, despite his appeal for tolerance.

"I think society as a whole has some catching up to do," he told reporters.

Lindner, a father of two children whose wife has left him, said he plans to start sex change surgery Thursday. A member of the reformed East German communists, he had said he would leave Germany if voted out of office.

Jack Kevorkian charged with murder

PONTIAC, Mich. - Dr. Jack Kevorkian has gotten his wish: He's been charged with first-degree murder after the euthanization of a terminally ill man was shown to a national television audience in prime-time.

The charge was filed Wednesday, three days after the retired pathologist challenged prosecutors to settle the debate over assisted suicide on a "60 Minutes" broadcast that showed the lethal injection of Thomas Youk, who suffered from Lou Gehrig's disease.

"Notwithstanding public sentiment on the issue of assisted suicide, it is incumbent upon me to make charging decisions based solely on the law and not emotion or sympathy," Oakland County Prosecutor David Gorcyca said.

"He brought it upon himself," he said. "I am following the law as I am required to do."

Kevorkian was arraigned on charges of first-degree murder, criminal assistance to a suicide and delivery of a controlled substance and freed on $750,000 bond. Kevorkian is next due in court Dec. 9.

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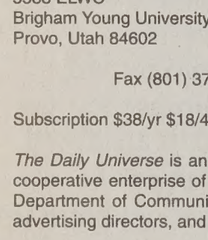
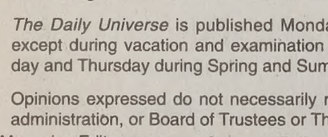


Scripture of the Day

"And if thou shouldst be cast into the pit, or into the hands of murderers, and the sentence of death passed upon thee; if thou be cast into the deep; if the billowing surge conspire against thee; if fierce winds become thine enemy...know thou, my son, that all these things shall give thee experience, and shall be for thy good." — *D&C 122:7*



Lisa Earl likes this scripture because "all adversity is for our learning and growth." Marks, 18, is a freshman from Los Altos, Calif., majoring in animal science.

Spanish Fork teacher wins laws

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A simple phone call cost Wendy Weaver her job as volleyball coach, her freedom to speak openly about her sexual orientation and her privacy.

But a federal judge's ruling on Wednesday may help her get it all back.

Weaver, who filed a lawsuit last fall against the Nebo School District, claimed she was fired as volleyball coach at Spanish Fork High School after acknowledging to a student that she is a lesbian.

She also said school officials violated her rights with a gag order that prevented her from talking with students or staff about her sexual orientation, even outside of school.

In his 25-page ruling, U.S. District Judge Bruce Jenkins agreed Weaver's rights of free speech, equal protection and due process had been violated. Jenkins ordered the school district to offer Weaver the coaching position and to lift the gag order. He also awarded Weaver the $1,500 she was seeking in damages.

"I feel like I really fought for something that should have been mine in the first place," Weaver said. "It was a personal matter that kind of became something of purpose."

The Weaver case has attracted national attention because of the precedent it could set for how public schools treat homosexual teachers and coaches.

School officials took action against Weaver following a phone call she made to a student in the summer of 1997. Weaver was preparing for the upcoming volleyball season by telephoning prospective volleyball team members about summer camp schedules. During one of the calls, a senior team member asked Weaver, "Are you gay?"

Weaver responded that she was, and the team member told Weaver she would not play on the volleyball team in the fall.

The school acted that summer, a few months after Weaver and her husband, Gary Weaver, who also works at the high school, divorced and Weaver began living with another woman. Since then, parents speaking for and against Weaver have packed heated school board meetings, called news conferences and circulated petitions.

The judge concluded that school officials had discriminated against Weaver by dismissing her from her job as volleyball coach after it became known she was a lesbian and by imposing the gag order.

"Although the Constitution cannot control prejudices, neither this court nor any other court should, directly or indirectly, legitimize them," Jenkins wrote.

The judge noted Weaver has continued to teach psychology at the school without incident and that school officials have been unable to point to any problems since were sexual orientation was revealed.

"The statement from a student and volleyball team member that she felt uncomfortable about playing for Ms. Weaver, and that she would not play volleyball in her senior year, is just that," Jenkins wrote. "While the student's actions may have interrupted her own activities, there is no evidence that the activities of the school were in any way disrupted."

Jenkins also said that while Weaver was threatened with disciplinary action for discussing her intimate associations and sexual orientation, no other teacher in the school district faced the same restrictio

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Merrill Cook insists he is fit for office

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Rep. Merrill Cook confesses to using profanity and having a temper but insists he has no emotional, psychological or physical problem that would make him unfit to hold office.

"I am in very good health, mentally and physically," Cook said Wednesday as he broke his public silence over allegations by former staff members and others that he is explosive and unstable.

Cook counterattacked, accusing two former staffers of forgery, insubordination and blackmail.

Cook's notorious outbursts, well-documented over 11 years in Utah politics, became an issue after two staffers lost their jobs after his election and another quit in protest.

Then reporters obtained interoffice e-mail messages written by former chief of staff Janet Jenson.

She alleged the congressman was paranoid, delusional and unable even to grasp he had won re-election.

Days before the election, Cook was thrown out of state GOP party headquarters following an obscenity-laced tantrum over a get-out-the-vote campaign message that made no mention of him.

Shortly after the election, in a disjointed radio interview, Cook accused a reporter who had written an unfavorable story about him of being intoxicated during an interview. A Cook spokeswoman later said the congressman had misspoken.

Since Jenson's e-mails were made public last week, stories about Cook's incendiary temper have continued to surface.

Former Republican Rep. Enid Greene - whom Cook replaced - said she and her staff "had similar experiences with Merrill in the past. I prefer to leave it at that."

Cook insists using a few dirty words doesn't mean he's crazy. Other people swear, too, he said.

Cook, who until Wednesday had refused repeated requests for an interview, went on the offensive with accusations that Jenson and her predecessor, David Irvine, forged his signature on documents giving themselves pay raises.

He said Irvine, through Jenson, tried to blackmail him a year ago by threatening to go to the news media if he tried to block the raises.

He also accused Irvine, who left Cook's office in June 1997, of double-dipping "from the trough of the military and Congress" by continuing to receive pay from Cook while on leave as a colonel in the Army Reserve.

"Clearly, they deceived me," Cook said, although he does not intend to pursue criminal charges and acknowledges he let Jenson continue her employment even after he discovered the unauthorized pay raises.

"I wanted to give Janet a second chance," he said.

Cook said he decided to fire her only after she was "cussing and dressing me down with unbelievable bad language in front of staff and even constituents."

Jenson, an attorney in the Washington area, has said she resigned. She said she was saddened that Cook "has seen fit to make these totally false accusations about me in a desperate attempt to salvage his career.

"I am sorry that Merrill has repaid my good work and my loyalty by libeling me and wrongfully accusing me of crimes," she said.

Irvine insisted "every action I took as Merrill Cook's chief of staff was above board and undertaken with his knowledge and concurrence."

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Rule number six in Netiquette is "share expert knowledge," according to Shea. If Internet users know the answer to a question asked online, they should respond to it.

If nobody did this, questioning would be futile.

Rule number seven in Netiquette, according to Shea, is "help keep flame wars under control."

To flame someone is to send them an inflammatory message over the Internet.

With flaming, all ideas of tact or politeness are thrown out the window.

Shea does not rule out flaming completely, due it being a tradition on the Net, but she does forbid flame wars that get out of hand.

On the other hand, the Netiquette guidelines strictly forbid flaming.

"Neither post nor respond to incendiary material," it said.

Rule number eight in Netiquette, according to Shea, is "respect other people's privacy."

Net users should never read other people's e-mail or hack into areas they are not welcome.

Rule number nine, according to Shea, is "don't abuse your power."

Those who know their way around the Internet should never take advantage of those who don't.

Rule number ten is "be forgiving of other people's mistakes."

Everyone makes mistakes, especially when learning something new. Newcomers to the Internet are likely to commit a few faux pas while learning the nuances of the cyberworld.

They deserve some slack, according to the Netiquette primer.

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Rivals join for world trip

Associated Press

MARRAKECH, Morocco — Their rivalry behind them, wealthy balloonists Richard Branson and Steve Fossett are putting the final touches on an attempt to circle the world in a hot air balloon.

Officials at the Menara military airport in Marrakech said Sunday that the balloon was in place.

If conditions are right, the launch could take place this week.

"If we make this, I think we'll all earn a place in aviation history," Fossett, a Chicago millionaire, said Sunday in an interview with Britain's Sky News.

He said he was looking forward to some company since he usually flies solo.

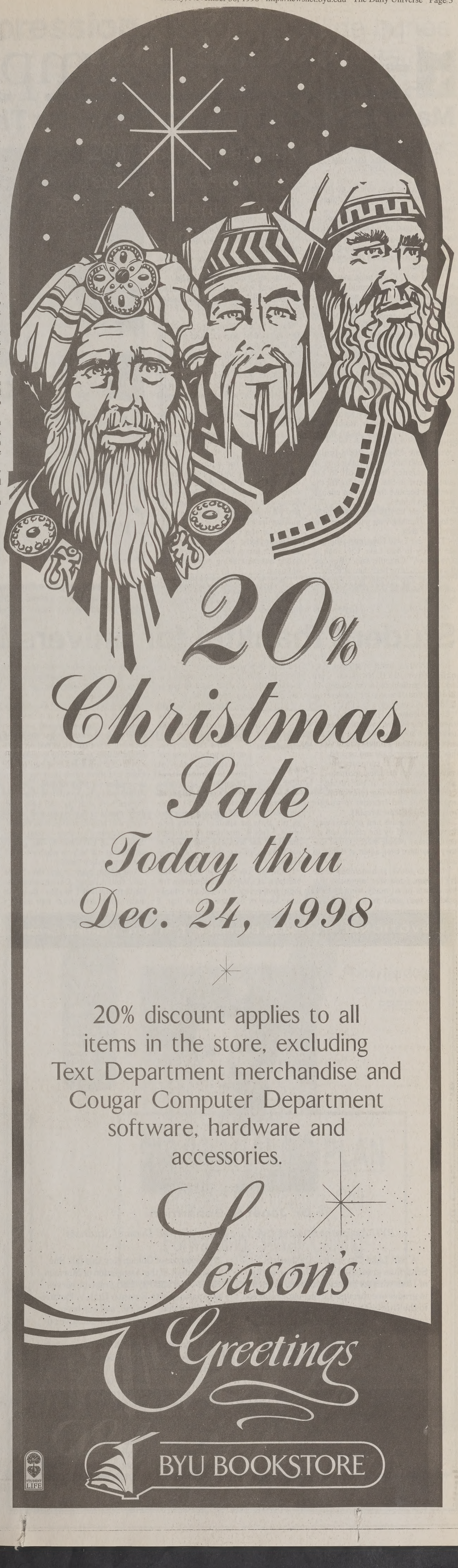
"It's different, but it's enjoyable being part of a team. I like the guys I'm flying with, and I think we're going to have a great time," he said.

Fossett broke his own distance record in August, traveling more than 15,200 miles before a storm damaged his balloon, sending it plunging into the sea off Australia.

Branson, the flamboyant tycoon whose Virgin company name adorns everything from record stores to an airline, has failed to accomplish the feat in four attempts.

They will be accompanied by Swedish balloonist Pers Lindstrand in the Virgin Global Challenger.

They also have a backup balloon in case their main one is damaged.



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A TRADITION FOR ALMOST HALF A CENTURY

Many students stay in Provo for Thanksgiving

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Not everyone was able to go home for the holidays because of money, logistics of traveling and time.

However, students who did not go home managed to make the most of their holidays.

For newlyweds Derrick and Caroline Elliott, it was their first real holiday together.

"We're one of the poor newlywed couples, so we really couldn't afford to go anywhere, and this was our first 'real' holiday together, and we wanted to spend it together," said Derrick, 25, a senior from Haleyville, Ala., majoring in linguistics.

Derrick and Caroline have been married for about four months.

"Also, we wanted to stay home and tackle making Thanksgiving dinner, and it turned out really well," Derrick said.

Many students went to extended family members' homes for the big feast and brought their roommates, who where also unable to go home, with them.

Stephanie Chapple, 20, a junior from Snowflake, Ariz., majoring in family science, headed off to her aunt's house in Salt Lake City for the weekend because there is not enough time to go home.

Every year they have a family gathering at Thanksgiving with those who are in the area.

"This year I will have more immediate family in Salt Lake City than in Snowflake," Chapple said, "Besides, it's more exciting here than at home."

Chapple also brought her roommate who did not have a place to go for the holidays.

Celeste Michele, 21, a junior from Moses Lake, Wash., majoring in history teaching, is staying here because it takes too long to get home.

"It's too expensive fly home now, and I'm going to be going home in three weeks for Christmas anyway," Mischief said.

Michie went to her aunt's house in Midway, Wasatch County, with her brother, her cousin, and her cousin's roommate.

"It's not the same as going home, but it is some place to go to be with cousins and friends," Michie said.

For those who did not have a place to go for dinner and still wanted turkey, the Cannon Center served a Thanksgiving dinner.

David Keala, Manager of Cannon Dining, said he doesn't mind working on Thanksgiving.

"Students who do not have a place to go, need a place to go, and can come here," Keala said.

The Cannon Center served turkey and ham along with other traditional Thanksgiving dishes.

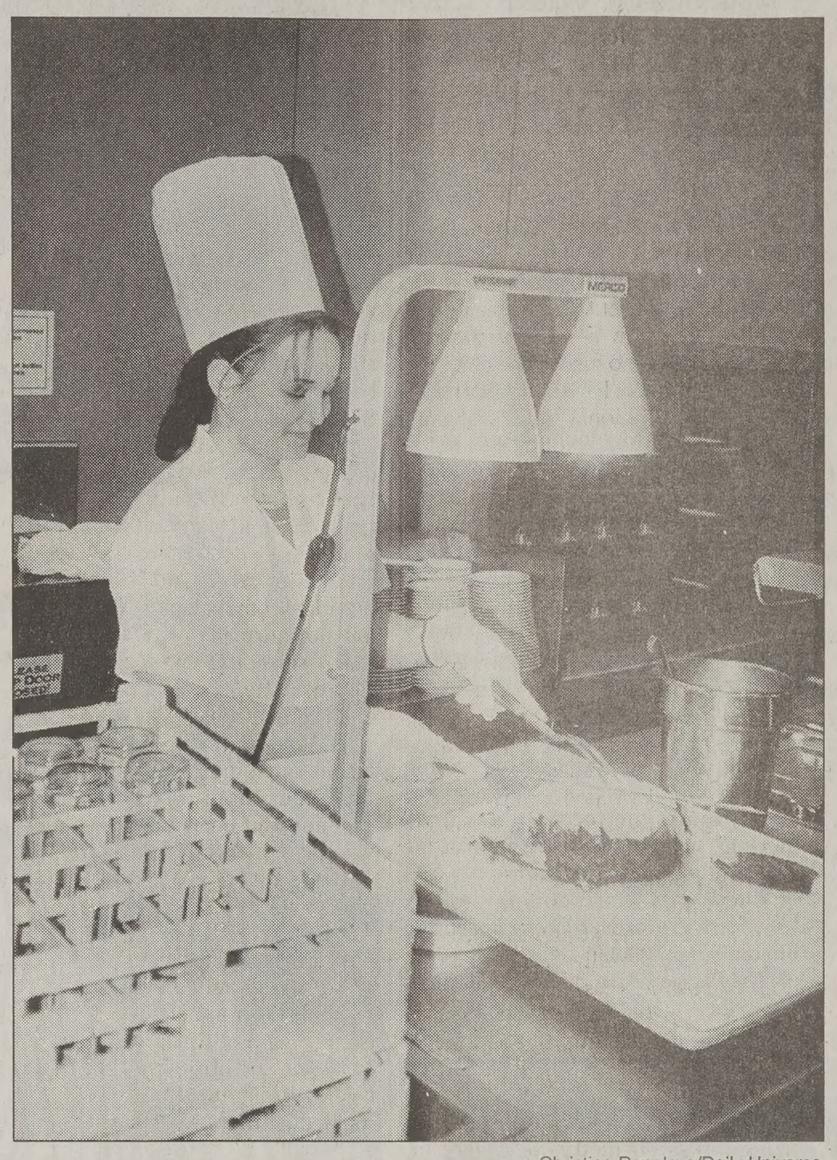
About 300 people indulged in the prepared dinner.

"It's open for all people to come," Keala said, "We have a lot of families, too."

"It's easier for a large family reunion to bring in the whole family than to make a large dinner," Keala said, "Also, small families come too, because it is easier to get dinner for two or three people here rather than making dinner."

The Cannon Center, which serves Helaman Halls, and the Morris Center, which serves Deseret Towers residents, alternate being open over the holidays.

"There is no point in keeping both dining centers open for so few students," said Nola Grotegut, the Cannon Center secretary.



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Chantal Keala, 19, from Orem, majoring in computer science helps serve a Thanksgiving meal in the Cannon Center. The meal was for those who did not go home for the holiday.

Student thankful for university's vision

By Mark Stringham
NewsNet Online Editor

In October, a group of student journalists from BYU NewsNet were asked to participate in the Society of Professional Journalist conference held in Los Angeles.

The conference, titled "Newsroom of the Future," was designed to provide a glimpse of what news and information gathering may be like for the year 2000 and beyond.

With some local sponsors providing some of the latest technology, the newsroom of the future concept — allowing television, radio, print and Internet to mingle together — became a reality.

Many companies and professionals were impressed by the effort, and no doubt, many people were excited that they may have been a part of things to come.

I have to admit, as a member of the BYU team, I too was impressed that the efforts of so many were able to produce such good things. But I also realized that what was trying to be accomplished in a short weekend in Los Angeles was not new to me or any other student from BYU.

The fact is, we had been working in the 'newsroom of the future' already.

Now the purpose of this column was not a shameless plug for the Communications Department or even to bring the spotlight to one branch of study at BYU over another. I will tell you however, that as my time as student draws to a close, I feel it important to highlight that BYU has been a special place for me because of one thing — It has a vision.

I should obviously thank the brethren at church headquarters for their generosity and zeal for education. Most of us take part in that. I also thank the church members for their sacred tithes that allow most of us to obtain a top-notch education at a subsidized price.

But while I was in Los Angeles that weekend, I realized that it is the dedication of our instructors and administrators that seems to carry the vision forward. It is that vision that prepares bright minds to be able to enter the world and job market ahead of the game and more often than not — hit the ground with feet running.

I am truly grateful for men and women here at BYU who believe in their students. For professors, presidents and administration who fight to help students find their potential and talent — all the while mixing gospel values that can help us when we leave our happy valley bubble.

And again, I know that this is not only found in the Communications Department, but I imagine there are many other disciplines that share a similar feeling. Now don't get me wrong, BYU has its share of hang-ups and red tape that would take too long to mention.

I just wanted to say thanks to BYU faculty for helping me see the good part — the vision.

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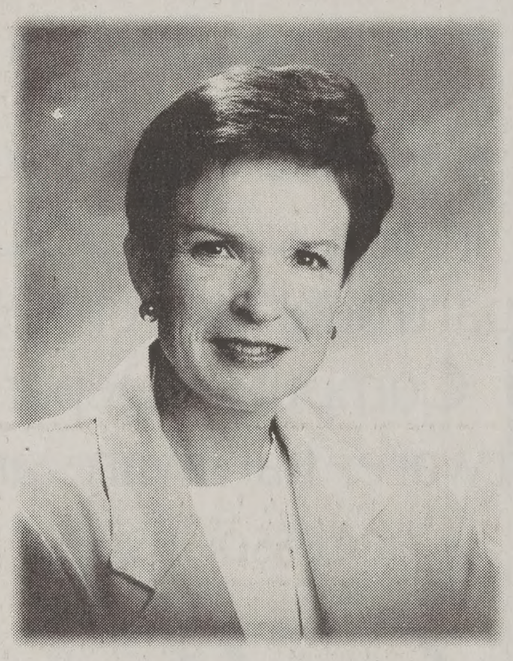

Dr. Janet S. Scharman

BYU Assistant Student Life Vice President and Dean of Students

A Salt Lake City native, Dr. Janet S. Scharman graduated from the University of Utah with certification to teach French in grades one through 12. She later returned to the University of Utah and earned master's and doctoral degrees in counseling psychology. She has taught and counseled in Utah public schools and in Germany, where her family lived for three years.

Dr. Scharman is a licensed psychologist and is an associate clinical professor through BYU's Counseling and Career Center. She has taught classes in counseling and special education, student development, and religion. She was appointed assistant student life vice president and dean of students two years ago.

In 1997 she received the University of Utah Exemplary Womanhood Award, and she became an honorary member of the BYU chapter of Golden Key this fall. She is president of the Association of Mormon Counselors and Psychotherapists; serves as a partner with Envision Utah, A Partnership for Quality Growth; and has been involved with the Governor's Initiative on Families Today (GIFT).

Her current areas of direct responsibility are Student Leadership, Services for Students With Disabilities, Multicultural Student Services, the Honor Code Office, the Student Honor Association, International Services, and Women's Services and Resources.

Dr. Scharman has served in Primary, Young Women, Relief Society, and Sunday School in her ward and stake and currently teaches gospel doctrine in her ward. She and her husband, Brent, are the parents of a blended family of 10 children. They have seven grandchildren.

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tudents love BYU. But f things like depression, d eating disorders, some e not enjoying it as much. frequently portray BYU erful place where "a spe- can actually be felt and students can grow secular- o spiritually," said Melissa former BYU student from

BYU. This is the place for want to have the neatest ce in life," said Nathan , a junior from Los Ange- ng in computer science. e that those who are hav- YU experience, as well as who had it in the past, are nate.

else in the world can you a good environment," d.

e same time, extra-curricu- ems are hindering many dents from completely heir BYU experience.

A. Heaps, a psychologist unseling and Career Center s, said the most frequently problems affecting BYU nclude depression, anxiety, , interpersonal difficulties, eating disorders.

said many things cause blems.

"There are as many reasons as there are students who come for help, and even with commonalities, there are reasons unique to each student," he said. "You may find medical conditions that cause emotional difficulties, situational losses, problems associated with a past history of abuse, traumas, dysfunctional families, and so on."

Some students suffer these problems because of previous experiences.

Others develop them after they start at BYU.

"Many students tend to bring with them the history of their problems. Others come to get the help they need to continue on their scholastic career," Heaps said.

Heaps said no particular category of students at BYU has more problems scholastically or with depression than any other.

All levels of students go to the Counseling and Career Center for help, from newly-arrived freshmen to graduate students.

David W. Smart, associate director of the Counseling and Career Center, said some 2,000 students per year benefit from the Counseling and Career Center.

Of these, he estimated 95 percent go to the center by themselves. The rest go to the center because they are referred by others.

Whether they go themselves or are referred by others, students who use the center's services are asked to fill out the "student concerns survey," a list of 42 possible concerns.

Students check all of the concerns they feel they are currently experiencing. Most respond byindicating several concerns.

Data from these surveys show 78 percent of these students are concerned about school work and grades; 73 percent are concerned about anxiety, worries and nervousness; 66 percent are concerned about self-esteem or self-confidence; 65 percent about depression; and 61 percent about stress management.

The least-often noted problem is pregnancy, checked by 3 percent of those who seek services at the Counseling and Career Center. This deals with all concerns related to pregnancy, including infertility, miscarriage and other medical complications.

Other low concerns on the list include the following: 3 percent of the students surveyed are concerned about sexually transmitted diseases; 4 percent with alcohol and drugs; and 5 percent with ethnic and racial discrimination.

Smart said these concerns may be experienced directly by the students or may relate to friends or family members. He also said these percentages are much lower than those reported in a national sample of universities.

The Counseling and Career Center conducted another statistical survey to
explore what kind of problems general BYU students reported. These students were not those who went to the center.

The survey's results, conducted on a random sample of 434 students, showed the first-ranked problem reported was a concern about academics, school and grades.

The second ranked problem was finances; third, time management; fourth, career or major decisions; and fifth, concerns about their post-college future.

Smart said the students who are involved in counseling average about four counseling sessions.

In these visits, the counselors help students identify the nature of the problems and help them deal with their concerns.

For students who are depressed, antidepression medication may be helpful, Smart said.

The Counseling and Career Center works closely with the Student Health Center in such cases.

Jose dos Santos, a former BYU graduate student from Brazil who studied Comparative Literature, was one of those students who had depression problems once he started BYU and benefitted from the Counseling Center.

He said the main reason students fall into depression or are diagnosed with similar syndromes once they start BYU is the pressure of competition.

"BYU students often feel extremely pressured by getting a better grade than their classmates, that they easily get anxious and worried. I know that there are a lot of students who benefitted from the Counseling Center because I was one of them," Dos Santos said.

"The reason why students fall into depression, like I did, is because they have to compete harder every semester to reach that excellence that BYU requires.

"A lot of students can cope with it, but many others can't. That's why I am not surprised that there are so many students who constantly feel distressed and seek help from the Counseling Center."

"BYU students are human beings, and as such, they have imperfections. They come from a multitude of backgrounds and environments, many of which are painful," Heaps said.

Heaps also gave good advice to prevent extra scholastic problems such as depression, anxiety, loneliness and related syndromes.

One was to help others.

"Seek help and become involved even though at times you may feel a low energy. Just the thought of extending yourself to others can make the difference," he said.

Island mudslide buries 30 vehicles Sunday

Associated Press

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts -- Heavy rains launched a mudslide that barreled along a gully into downtown Basseterre, burying as many as 30 vehicles, police said Sunday. No deaths were immediately reported.

Motorists and passengers in taxis scrambled out of their vehicles after the mudslide, 15 feet deep in places, occurred late Saturday, said Deputy Police Commissioner Robert Jeffers.

Rescuers used construction equipment to extract vehicles from the debris Sunday. Workers cut open cars to free two women. One of them remained hospitalized Sunday. Police said one man was missing.

By Sunday night, workers had reached most of the cars and no victims had been found, said government spokesman Erasmus Williams.

The slide occurred after the island was drenched with nearly five inches of rain in four hours, Williams said. Smaller mudslides in other areas blocked roads and downed utility and telephone polls, plunging parts of the island into darkness.

The mudslide swept at least a mile into Basseterre, the capital, and carried away cars parked near a waterfront carnival celebration. Ferry operators reported spotting some cars submerged in the water of Basseterre's port.

The mudslide filled the first floor of the government Social Security building up to the ceiling with silt. Part of the island's power plant was also damaged.

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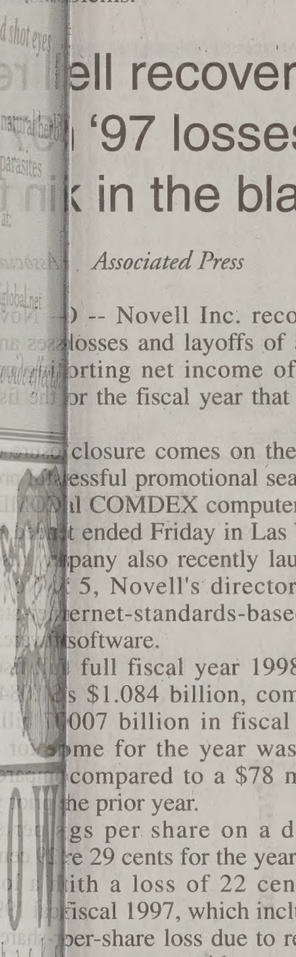

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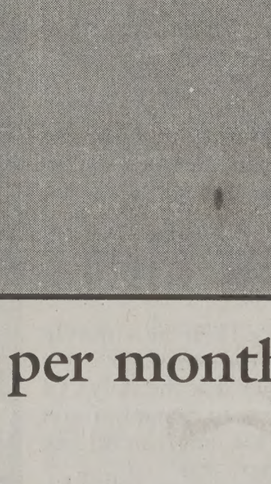

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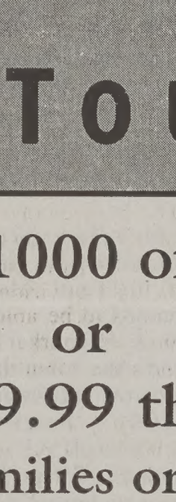

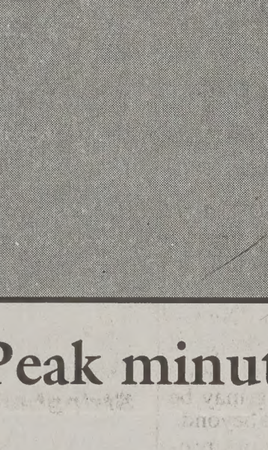

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More potential roommate questions

Several weeks ago, I wrote a column featuring a list of questions that could be asked of potential roommates in order to weed out the freaks and losers from the normal people ("normal" being defined as "like me"). I got this idea from a questionnaire I filled out before I moved into the dorms as a freshman, in which they attempted to find out my living habits so I could be paired up with someone I didn't like, in order to prepare me for my mission.

I suggested in that column that a similar questionnaire be used by all landlords at all BYU-approved housing so that bad roommates could be kept away. At the end of the column, I invited readers to e-mail me with suggestions for other questions that could be asked. About 130 additional questions were submitted, and the main thing I learned from them is that when in the privacy of their own apartments, girls are a lot grosser than any of us ever imagined.

I am not exaggerating when I say that 25 percent of the submissions I received are too disgusting to be printed, even in The Daily Universe motto: "Nothing is Too Disgusting to Be Printed"). And more than half of those disgusting entries came from women. They dealt with issues of flatulence (yes! Among women!), personal hygiene, bodily fluids and semi-fluids, and a host of other horrible things. I'm not saying the guys don't gross me out too, but you expect that sort of thing from guys. Women would have us believe they don't even HAVE bodily functions, let alone deal with them in the manner described in some of my e-mail.

Anyway, I also got some great suggestions that I CAN use. I'm not naming any of the contributors here because we don't want to cause problems between them and the offending roommates. The exceptions here are Mike Noron and Matt Mossman, who wanted very much to have their names mentioned in the column, only the joke's on them, because I misspelled both of them.

Several items were submitted by more than one person, suggesting an epidemic in some areas. I am proposing that these questions not only be asked of potential roommates, but that stipulations against them be added to the Honor Code. These include:

• "Do you insist upon listening to the same CD 12 times a day, every day?"

• "Do you require absolute silence in order to go to sleep, yet fail to be awakened by your 1,000-decibel alarm clock?" (A frequently mentioned corollary is the roommate who purposely sets his/her alarm for one hour before he/she intends to get up, thus giving his/her roommate the pleasure of hearing him/her hit the snooze button seven/eight times.)

• "Are you one of those people who doesn't like a guy until one of your roommates expresses interest in him, and then all of a sudden you like him, too?" The girls seemed VERY passionate on this subject. For guys, the issue would be resolved thusly: "Hey, you can't ask her out. Didn't you know *I* was going to ask her out?" "Oh, OK. Sorry, dude." "No problem, bro." (They do one of those weird semi-handshakes like guys do, then one of them burps, and the matter is settled.)

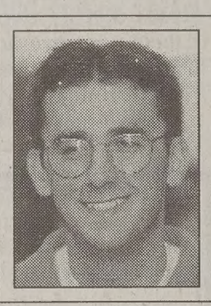
Roommates' dating habits are of major importance. Some observations:

• "Are you now, or do you plan on being, engaged to two women at the same time? Were you going to tell one, or both, that the marriage is off? Was the woman on the couch with you last week Contestant Number Three, or just a little something extra before you settle down?"

• "Is your idea of how to attract a man to stand in the middle of ward prayer and loudly complain about how nobody ever asks you out?"

• "Does your 'social life' consist of Internet chat rooms? Do you like to tie up the phone line for hours while you're 'chatting' with your cyber friends, when others might be expecting calls from REAL friends?"

• "Do you insist on talking on the phone for a long period of time to your boyfriend, even though he only lives two doors down?"



SNIDE REMARKS

By ERIC D. SNIDER

NewsNet Columnist

• "Do you sleep all night, every night, on the living room floor with your girlfriend/fiancee?"

Then there are the minor — yet incredibly important — annoyances:

• "Do you insist on highlighting your entire textbook, instead of a few key phrases or sentences? Do you do this while your roommate tries to sleep, thus keeping her awake with the screech of your never-ending highlighter across the page?"

• "Do you insist on leaving the window open all night, even though it's been snowing for the last two months?"

• "Do you, when rinsing and spitting after brushing your teeth, always spit one last time after turning the water off and then not rinse away the spittle?" (Only a girl could write that.)

• "Do you refuse to dry off the sink area after you use it, instead leaving huge pools of water all over the counter, some of them large enough to allow Olympic competition?"

And finally, a variety of miscellaneous random questions:

• "Do you have any life-sized posters of anyone that you feel it necessary to kiss several times throughout the day?"

• "Do you flip out if someone shortens your name? For example, if your name is Kimberly and someone calls you Kim, do you lecture them for five hours about how Kim is not your name, and why your parents decided not to call you that?"

• "Do you only buy food once a semester and manage to stay alive between shopping sprees by scrounging off your roommates' food? Then do you brag about how fiscally responsible you are because you spend so little on food each month?"

• "Will I ever come home to find your homeless friend sleeping in my bed? If so, was he naked? If he wasn't naked, was he wearing my clothes?"

• "Do you go through all of your roommates' belongings, yet keep all yours securely boxed and padlocked?"

• "Do you like to stack up pyramids of empty Coke or Pepsi cans in the windows of the apartment, like frat kids do with beer cans at other universities?"

• "If you served a foreign mission, do you insist on blasting lousy music from that country all hours of the day?"

• "Do you think it is funny to speak to your roommates in the language you spoke on your mission, even though none of them speak it?"

• "Do you use the commitment pattern to deal with everything, including your roommate's girlfriend leaving five minutes after curfew?"

• "Are you from California, and do you think California is so cool that you go on and on all the time about how cool it is, and about how it's soooooo much better than Utah, and about how Utah stinks and California doesn't? And if so, why didn't you just stay there?"

Thank you all for sharing your frustrations with me. I hope you feel better. I need to go lie down.

(Some past "Snide Remarks" columns are compiled in a book, available for $4.95 in the BYU Bookstore and at the NewsNet office, 5538 ELWC. Other past columns are online at www.ericdsnider.com. E-mail Eric at snide@ericdsnider.com.)

Utah landscapes provide backdrop for many films

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NewsNet Staff Writer

What do Tom Hanks, Jim Carrey, John Wayne, Michael J. Fox, River Phoenix, Don Knotts, John Travolta, Kathleen Turner, Billy Crystal, Chevy Chase and Michael Douglas all have in common?

They are all on the list of movie stars who have been brought to Utah's scenic landscapes for a film shoot.

With its rugged mountains and sun dried deserts, Utah offers a variety of filming locations which have attracted film makers for decades.

In the '50s, John Wayne did a number of movies in Utah. "Rio Grande" (1950) was filmed in Utah's Mexican Hat area.

Wayne returned to Utah again in 1956 to shoot "The Searchers" in Monument Valley.

Also shot in Monument Valley was "2001: A Space Odyssey" (1968), along with several scenes in "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983) and the Academy Award winning "Forrest Gump" (1994).

Much of "Back to the Future III" was shot at the Monument Valley State Park.

In 1969, Robert Redford began his long-running relationship with Utah when he came to Zion's National Park to shoot "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid."

He returned to the same area 10 years later for "The Electric Horseman" with Jane Fonda.

Selected scenes were also shot at Zion's for two of the '80s biggest hits "Romancing the Stone" (1984) and its sequel "Jewel of the Nile" (1985).

Utah's Glen Canyon became the backdrop for the primate world of "Planet of the Apes" in 1968.

The same area also brought Tim Conway and Don Knotts to Utah for the filming of Disney's "Apple Dumpling Gang Rides Again" (1979).

Another much-used location is Utah's Arches National Park.

Spielberg's 1989 smash hit "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" chose this site for scenes featuring the late River Phoenix.

Arches also provided much of the scenery behind the production of 1991's "Thelma and Louise" and "City Slickers II: The Legend of Curly's Gold" (1994).

Moab provided some of the desert in which Kurt Russell searched frantically for his wife in "Breakdown" (1997) and Wendover, Utah is featured in 1996's blockbuster "Independence Day."

Just north of Provo on I-15 is Lehi, which became the conservative town that would not let Kevin Bacon dance in 1984's "Footloose," and Lake Powell's landscape was the set on which much of John Travolta's thriller "Broken Arrow" (1996) was filmed.

In 1985, the city of Ogden welcomed Chevy Chase for the filming of many scenes in the hit comedy "Fletch."

It was also in Ogden that Casey Siemaszko fought the school bully in "Three O'Clock High" (1987).

Salt Lake City has also been the site of many film shoots.

In 1997, the crew of the action/adventure film "Con Air" came to the Salt Lake.

Many of the winter scenes in Jim Carrey's "Dumb and Dumber" (1994) were also shot there.

Last summer's dark comedy "Clay Pigeons" was filmed entirely in Utah in locations near Salt Lake, Brigham City and Logan.

And for those in the Provo/Springville area, James Belushi and Timothy Dalton just finished shooting their new movie "Made Men" a few weeks ago.

This film, which tells the story of a man who moves to a small, quiet town to escape the mob, can be seen on HBO early next year.

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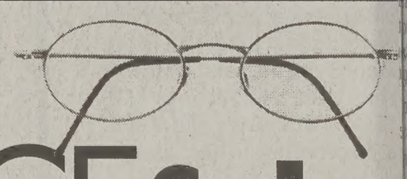
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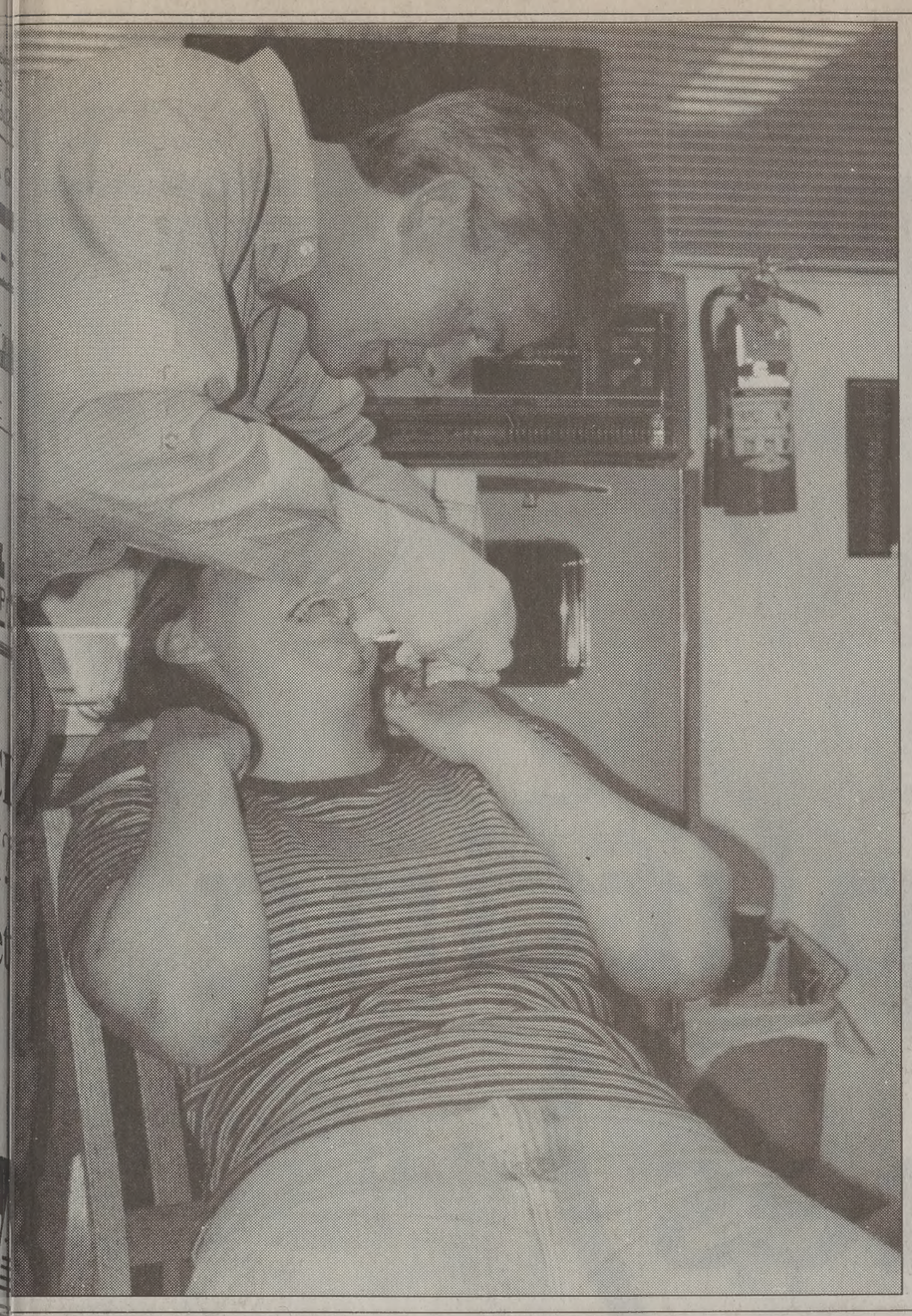

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Open wide

Rebecca Baria gets a check-up from her orthodontist, Dr. Phillip Cramer, from her hometown of Lacey, Wash. during Homecoming weekend. Cramer came into town for the festivities and decided to change Baria's braces while he was here. The orthodontic work was done in the kitchen of Baria's Heritage Halls apartment. She is a freshman majoring in English.

ussian mail-order brides ominating marriage market

Associated Press

PORT BEACH, Calif. — On chmaker's video, a young woman saunters across a n historic St. Petersburg. She clinging T-shirt, skintight shers and stiletto heels.

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al is a ticket out of Russia's economy and forbidding

least 20 years, Filipinas have ted the international mail- ride business. But since 1991, the Soviet Union's fall ed capitalism and unrest, n women have become the 's fastest-growing commodi-

ay up to $10,000 to travel to and St. Petersburg to meet they have picked from cata- nd videos.

than 65 U.S. companies e such services on the Inter- ey even offer to send flowers pective brides, and to put men with women via e-mail.

United States and Russia, usinesses are unmonitored. s of white slavery, domestic e and the 1995 case of a Seat- band who shot to death his nt mail-order bride have ed legislators and women's to demand industry rules.

96, Congress asked the Immi- and Naturalization Service to gulations forcing agencies to women about marriage fraud, esidency and domestic vio- he INS also was asked to doc- immigration fraud and physi- se involving mail-order brides. ess is still waiting.

asked the INS to give us a on an issue that's enormously ant and they've dragged their said attorney Jon Leibowitz, boss, Sen. Herbert Kohl, D- elped carry the legislation.

spokeswoman Elaine Komis fficials have been slowed by perative mail-order bride "We got nothing that was very in the way of how to improve ation or what could be done in of regulations," she said.

e knows the number of Amer- ussian marriages sparked by aking services. The INS does- p records on how couples Its legal responsibility is to determine whether marriages between foreigners and U.S. citizens are legitimate.

Americans often obtain so-called fiance visas for their intended mates. The document allows an immigrant to live and work in the United States for two years. After that, if the foreigner is still married and living in America, he or she gets permanent residency.

In 1991, there were 17 fiance visas issued to Russian women. In 1997, there were 1,012.

A social worker with Atlanta's Refugee Family Violence Project said she received several phone calls from battered mail-order brides after writing an article about domestic violence in a tiny, Russian-language newspaper.

The women didn't know their rights under U.S. law, said the social worker, who said she has been threatened by clients' husbands and asked that her name be withheld. None of her clients wanted to be interviewed, she said.

The St. Petersburg-based Svetlana Agency says it is a legitimate international matchmaking service. Two months ago, it opened a satellite office in opulent Newport Beach, about 60 miles south of Los Angeles.

Svetlana Novikova, 29, began her human brokerage house four years ago. Her company is one of the most expensive.

Men are charged a $2,500 membership fee which allows them to see videos and photographs. A trip to St. Petersburg, where men can meet as many as 10 women a day — including the student on the bridge — can cost another $2,500.

Like many of her colleagues, Novikova says she doesn't keep track of her clients' marriages or divorces. She says she doesn't know how many clients she has.

"We provide our services to very serious people who want a very serious relationship," she said.

Newport Beach salesman Aldo Almodovar, 28, traveled to St. Petersburg this month on one of her package tours.

"I'm just basically going to have a good time," he said before departure. "I've never been to Russia before and the girls are gorgeous. "

Paul and Galina Finkelman of Huntington Beach, Calif., were married four months ago. They met last December in Moscow, where she had graduated medical school and he had come looking for a wife.

Both were clients of Russian-American Matchmakers, a Virginia-based service started by an American who found his own wife through a mail-order bride service.

Finkelman, 41, said he had tired of American women who "seem interested in only one thing — how big is your bank account." Mrs. Finkelman, 27, said she was weary of alcoholism. "The problem with Russian men is that they drink vodka," she said. "It's not good, you know."

He proposed on their third date. She knew some English. He knew no Russian. "Language is not a problem. I understand her," said Finkelman, who is studying to become a computer programmer.

"Look, I know it's kind of weird. Life is a crapshoot. You just have to be in that space where you're ready to make that commitment," he said.

In 1996 Mark Amspoker met a Moscow doctor 14 years his junior through a matchmaking service, proposed to her a week later, and married her last year.

Although he found a wife, the 44-year-old technology writer didn't like the service he used.

So he started his own.

Since opening last year, Russian-American Matchmakers has signed 60 male clients, each paying $1,500 in membership fees. The agency lists about 350 women and claims seven marriages.

Most agencies charge women a small fee of about $20.

Amspoker says he wants his countrymen to discover what he did.

"I went to Russia and I could feel close to these women. I could connect with them," he said. American women, he complained, "just don't seem to have time to think of settling down and having a family."

Like other matchmakers, Amspoker doesn't discuss safe sex or HIV testing. "I don't get into the personal details," he says. "We have this membership fee that is fairly stiff and it filters out the fellows who aren't serious."

Amspoker says he welcomes industry regulations. He has heard stories of Russian women being sold into prostitution and has often listened to men complain they were cheated by matchmaking services.

"I think this business has always attracted not the best people," Amspoker said. "It's so easy to dangle sex in front of a man and get him all excited and take his money."

Sen. Hatch releases CD

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Politics is not the only talent Sen. Orrin Hatch has excelled in. He has been busy writing song lyrics for a new Christmas CD, too.

Hatch wrote nine of the 16 songs in "Come to the Manger." Janice Perry wrote the music to most of Hatch's lyrics, and she wrote both the words and the music for one of the arrangements.

Produced and arranged by Greg Hansen, the CD is a great mix of traditional Christmas carols with new, uplifting songs about the Savior's birth.

Music Review

The listener is treated with sweet solos and a powerful choir.

An orchestra accompanies the songs with a wide range of instruments including triumphant horns, a soothing piano and pounding drums.

Two of my favorites were "Alleluia! Alleluia!" and "Softly Falls the Evening Light," both with lyrics by Hatch and music by Perry.

The traditional "Silent Night" was also a treat — partly because it was one of my favorite carols to begin with.

The CD includes other traditionals such as "Away in a Manger" and "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming."

The music ranges from soft and soothing to powerful and inspiring.

Inside the cover, Hatch and Perry write, "There are choral pieces, vocal solos and rousing gospel numbers — something not only for everyone's musical taste but also for every Christmas mood."

This Christmas CD is a wonderful way to feel the spirit of Christmas and remember its true meaning.

A cappella concert to help community

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For students who just can't seem to get enough good a cappella music, they can head to the Timpview High School Benefit Concert tonight at 6:30 in the Timpview auditorium for an evening of great music.

The benefit concert is in its 10th year and last year raised $10,000 for foster children in Utah County.

The admission to the concert is free, but donations will be accepted at the door and much appreciated.

Among the scheduled performers is Vocal Point, the popular a cappella group here on campus. Utah Valley State College's vocal performing group Encore will also perform during the concert.

The benefit will feature several local high school performing groups including: the Timpview, Lehi, Provo and Springville a cappella choirs, and the Springville Bell Choir.

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This works because TrueType fonts are vector drawings rather than bitmaps. This allows the program to expand the sizes. If you try this, you'll find that 144-point fonts will print quite nicely.
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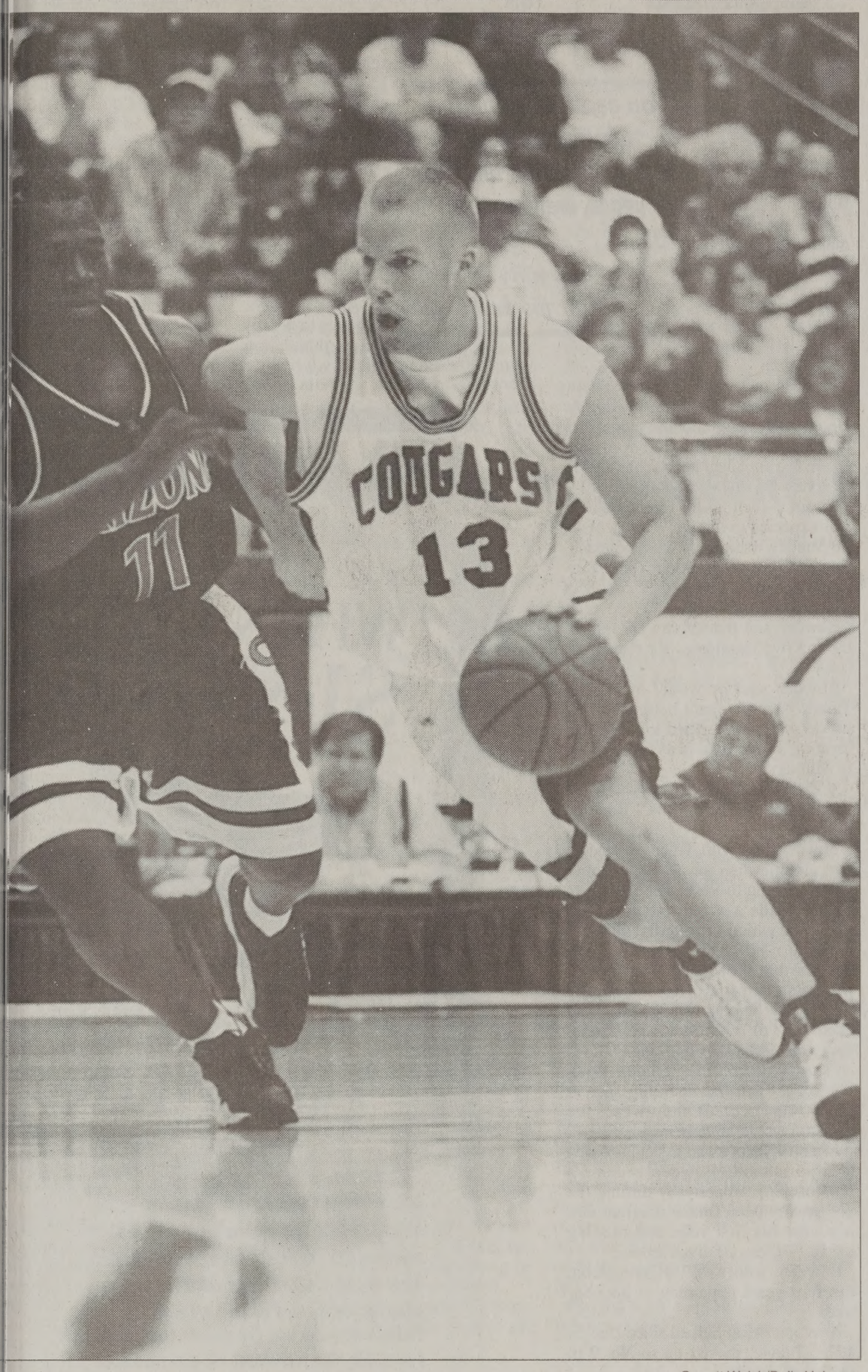

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an guard Michael Vranes cuts around the in search of daylight against freshman Ari-uard Traves Wilson. The Cougars took the 11th-ranked Wildcats to overtime Saturday night at the Marriott Center before succumbing 78-74. Arizona hit 7 of 8 free throws in overtime to win.

Volleyball team loses, still gets NCAA berth

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The WAC women's volleyball tournament started out with a bang and ended in a thud as BYU succumbed to seventh-ranked Hawaii Saturday afternoon at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas.

Even though BYU was unsuccessful in its attempt to secure a third WAC championship in a row, its overall record of 26-3 was good enough to earn an at-large NCAA bid.

BYU will host the Central Region first and second rounds Friday and Saturday. Kansas State and Georgetown play in a first-round match Friday at 5 p.m. BYU will take on Coastal Carolina in the following match at 7 p.m. The winners of these two matches will then play Saturday. All the matches will be at the Smith Fieldhouse.

The third meeting of the season between BYU and Hawaii turned into an all out war as both teams battled to take possession of the WAC title. BYU lost in a tough five-game match, 12-15, 19-21, 15-13, 18-16 and 22-24.

"That was the best volleyball match I've ever seen," BYU head coach Michaelis said. "I don't really look at it as a loss for us."

Both teams had strong numbers — Hawaii's Heather Brown led with 28 kills, followed by BYU's Nina Puikkonen with 25 kills and Mari Carpenter with 24 kills. BYU outside hitter Korie Rogers contributed 18 kills.

Leading up to Saturday's big match was Wednesday's match against Wyoming. A typical three-game sweep, the first game was the closest at 15-13. By the time the second and third games had ended, BYU had shut out Wyoming for the second time this season, winning 15-5 and 15-3.

Friday's match between UNLV and BYU was televised by Fox Sports Rocky Mountain. The first and second games of the match were almost identical as the Cougars started out with large leads, only to see them disintegrate every time.

The Runnin' Rebels had little success against BYU's stonewall defense, however. The Cougars were able to pull away in the crucial moments of the match using tactics such as well-placed timeouts. BYU won in three straight games, 15-12, 15-10 and 15-6.

Even without a WAC title, several BYU players earned post-season honors. Outside hitter Korie Rogers, middle blocker Nina Puikkonen and setter Anna-Lena Smith all earned a spot on the WAC Pacific Division First Team. Middle blocker Melissa Layton and outside hitter Mari Carpenter were placed on the WAC Pacific Division Second Team.

ougars put scare in 'Cats

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na probably didn't plan on an extra five minutes to beat ut the 11th-ranked Wildcats needing every second they t to slip out of Provo with a vertime win over the upset-Cougars Saturday night.

is team trailing 67-64, senior ason Terry drained a three with one minute remaining in n. Terry, who finished with ts, then sealed the win by g down four free throws in minute of overtime.

s my job," Terry said. "I knew take the shot."

enior point guard's heroics t in time for Arizona as BYU ed the Wildcats in the final of regulation. After falling 50-51 with under six minutes BYU grabbed the lead on a that included a pair of three by sophomore Todd Chris-nd freshman Michael Vranes. ere ripe for getting beat at nt," said Arizona head coach en.

he score knotted at 67, both ad a chance to win the game nal minute. On BYU's final on, Vranes was forced into a ee pointer as the shot clock Arizona then blew its chance r AJ Bramlett, who was sent e on a loose ball foul, missed e throws with one second ng.

unately for the Cougars, the s' misses from the line didn't continue.

The overtime period, which basically turned into a free throw shooting contest, saw BYU draw iron from the charity stripe while Arizona found the net. The Wildcats converted on 9-of-10 free throws in the final five minutes while the Cougars went 2 for 6.

But despite the near-miss disappointment against a national powerhouse, BYU head coach Steve Cleveland said his team turned in its best performance of the year.

"What a great effort by a group of young men who were pretty much outmanned for the last 15 minutes physically," Cleveland said.

Considered a heavy underdog against one of the nation's top programs, BYU gave Arizona everything the Wildcats could handle. The Cougars' aggressive play paid off as BYU forced Arizona into 28 turnovers while pulling down 15 offensive rebounds.

"They played us tougher than anyone has played us all year long," said Bramlett.

BYU's cause was led by a pair of freshman — Vranes and forward Mark Bigelow. Vranes scored 20 points and had four steals before fouling out in overtime. Bigelow, who went scoreless in BYU's loss at Auburn, posted a team-high 24 points while coming away with nine steals.

"I think we gave them a good show tonight," Bigelow said. "It's too bad we didn't finish it off."

Arizona's size eventually made the difference. After trailing for almost the entire first half, the Wildcats came out of the locker room and worked the ball inside against the undersized Cougars.

Unfortunately for BYU, the outcome of the game may have been decided by the elbow of Arizona forward Eugene Edgerson.

With 11:38 remaining in the game, Edgerson met BYU junior Bret Jepsen at halfcourt with an elbow to the face. The 6-foot-9 center, who held Bramlett to five first-half points, was unconscious on the floor for about 20 seconds. Jepsen was taken to the hospital after suffering a grade two concussion.

Television replays indicated the elbow was probably intentional, although Cleveland refused to comment on the play. Edgerson did not return to the game after the incident.

"I just opted not to put him back in," Olsen said. "I didn't see the play."

Whether or not the elbow was intentional, Jepsen's absence left BYU with a noticeable hole in the middle. With the BYU center out of the game, Arizona took up residence in the paint, dropping in 11 second-half field goals from inside the key. The Wildcats also used their size to get to the line, shooting 27 second-half free throws.

Arizona's inside attack was led by freshman Michael Wright's team-high 21 points. The 6-foot-11 Bramlett also contributed with 12 second half points.

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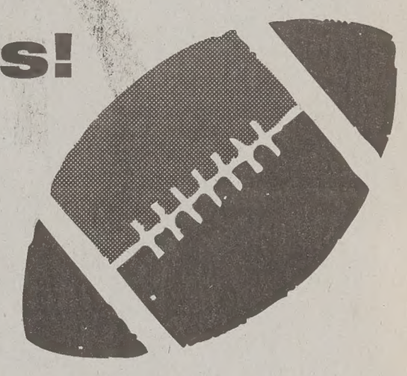

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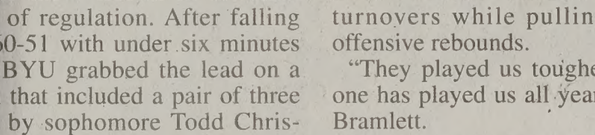

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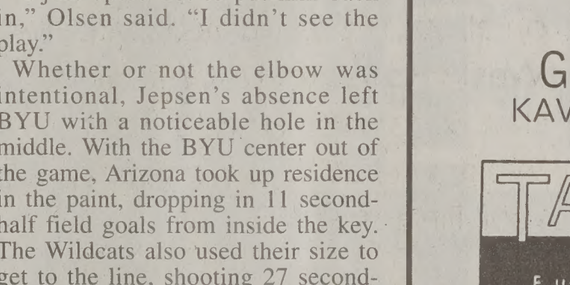

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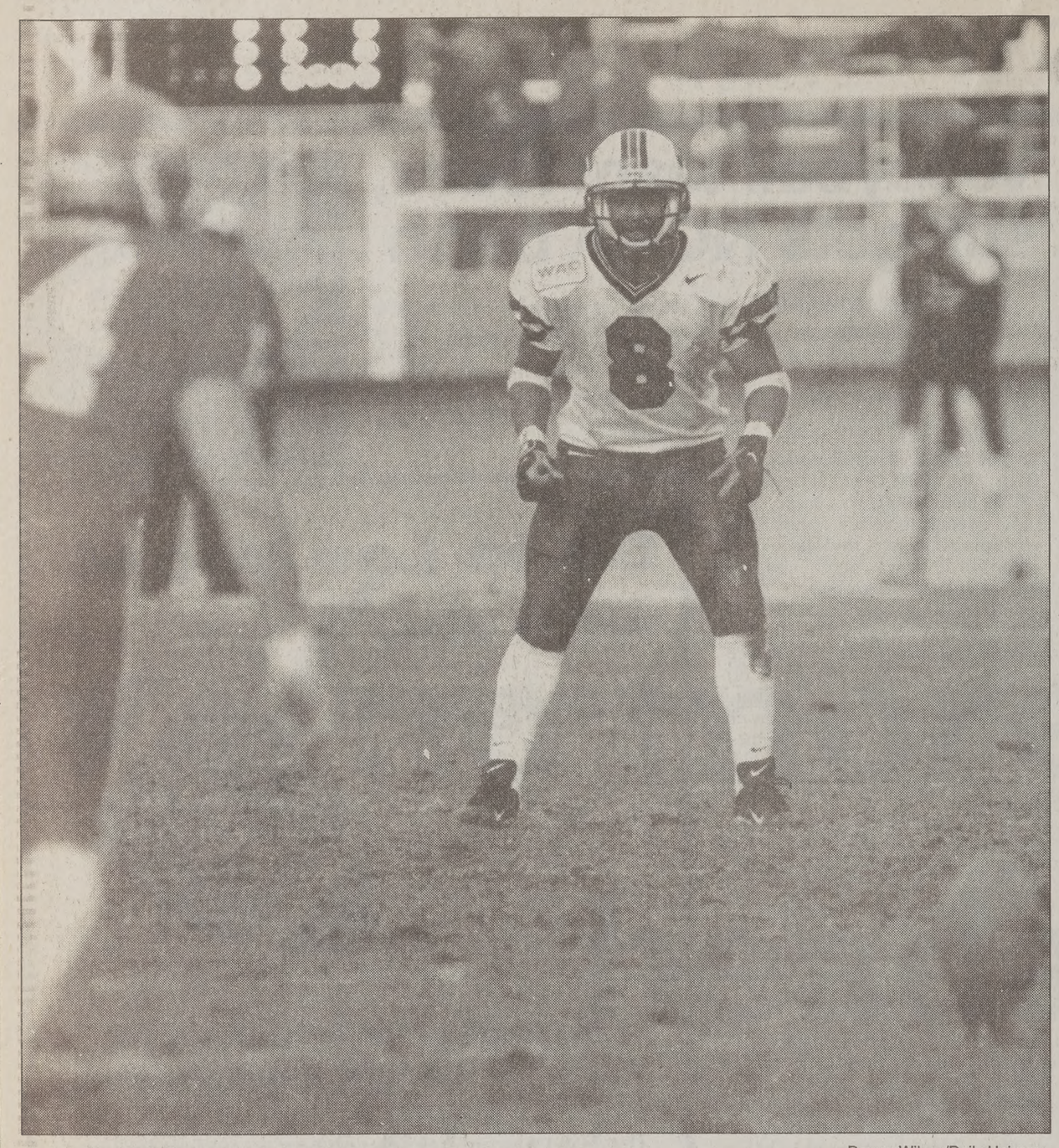

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BYU's Mike Rigell is a study in concentration as he prepares for a kickoff during the Cougars' victory over Utah Nov. 21 at Rice-Eccles Stadium. Rigell, who leads the WAC in kickoff returns, has helped BYU go 9-3 this season and earn a bid to play in the Liberty Bowl Jan. 31 in Memphis, Tenn.

BYU strikes a deal for Liberty

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The Cougars will be "walking in Memphis" on New Year's Eve and their date will be the Tulane Green Wave.

At a news conference Wednesday, BYU accepted an invitation to play in the 40th Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn.

BYU will face Conference USA champion and undefeated Tulane Dec. 31 at 11:30 a.m., and the game will be televised nationally by ESPN.

"It's going to be a great experience for us to go to Memphis and play in the Liberty Bowl," BYU head coach LaVell Edwards said.

The invitation marks Edwards' 20th bowl appearance in 27 seasons as head coach.

Steve Ehrhart, executive director of the Liberty Bowl, came to Provo and extended the bowl invitation to President Bateman and Edwards at the Cougar Club room in Cougar Stadium.

Ehrhart said he believes this year's Liberty Bowl matchup will attract a lot of attention.

"Potentially, we've got the champion of one conference against the champion of the other," he said. "It'd be one of the best bowl games of the year."

For that matchup to occur, BYU must first take care of Air Force in the WAC championship game.

Liberty Bowl officials had such faith in BYU that they decided to invite the Cougars to the New Year's Eve game now, rather than wait until the outcome of the WAC championship game is known.

"We believe they are going to take care of business down in Las Vegas," Ehrhart said. "We'll be down there rooting for BYU."

Securing an offer required lengthy discussions between BYU, the WAC and the Liberty Bowl in recent weeks.

BYU athletic director Rondo Fehlberg worked "day and night" since the season finale at Utah to ensure the Cougars would not be left out of a bowl, Ehrhart said.

Fehlberg also said WAC commissioner Karl Benson has been an important part in BYU's Liberty Bowl berth.

"Karl pitched BYU aggressively and positively at several meetings in Memphis," Fehlberg said.

The final contract for the bowl game has been worked through the WAC, which will assist BYU in the financial obligations and ticket sales of the bowl. This includes guaranteeing an undisclosed percentage of ticket sales at 62,380-seat Liberty Bowl Stadium. Each team receives $1.1 million for playing in the New Year's Eve game.

Ehrhart said he brought a first wave of 7,000 tickets to Provo and there will be more as needed.

"All the seats are good sideline seats. They're not stuck up in the corners somewhere," Ehrhart said.

Liberty Bowl tickets will be available to the general public Wednesday at the Marriott Center ticket office. Ticket prices are $40, $35 and $30.

The Cougars' last bowl appearance was in the 1997 Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day when they defeated Kansas State 19-15 and retained their fifth-place ranking in the polls.

Last year, the 6-5 Cougars failed to receive a bowl bid for only the second time in 20 years.

BYU has a two-game winning streak in bowl appearances. In addition to the Cotton Bowl win, the Cougars won the Copper Bowl in 1994 when they pounded Oklahoma 31-6.

All time, BYU is 7-12-1 in bowl appearances.

Tulane coach ponders futu

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Tulane's celebration of its super season and preparations for the Liberty Bowl have taken a back seat to questions of what Tommy Bowden will do.

"I'll probably make the decision by the middle of the week," the Tulane coach said Sunday. "There are still some things to do."

> ***"You can't win a national championship at Tulane. It would take 15, 20 years, well maybe 10."***
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> *— Tommy Bowden*
> *Tulane football coach*

Bowden met with Clemson athletic director Bobby Robinson on Friday. He also met with another school. He declined to say which school, but South Carolina had been scheduled to interview Bowden on Saturday.

Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer was expected to interview at Clemson on Sunday. Beamer he has a connection to Clemson president Deno Curris, who hired Beamer as coach at Murray State in 1981.

Bowden and Beamer are considered the top two candidates for the Clemson job.

Bowden said he would meet with Tulane officials again before making his decision, but refused to say if that meeting would take place on Sunday or Monday.

"I think in fairness to everybody we should get this behind us," Bowden said.

Bowden met with Tulane president and athletic director Sandy Barbour before talking to Robinson on Friday. Tulane made a strong pitch to keep Bowden, which reportedly includes building a new practice facility and the possibility of matching whatever package Clemson offered Bowden. That could be near $750,000 a year, according to a report in the Times-Picayune newspaper on Sunday.

"The money part is private," Bowden said. "But the deciding factors aren't clear cut. If they were, the decision would already be made."

After 19 years as an assistant coach at nine schools, Bowden became a hot coaching property by turning the perpetually poor Tulane program into a winner his first year, and running off an 11-0 record in his second.

Bowden, who was 7-4 last season, has four years remaining in his contract.

After not being ranked since Dec. 3, 1979, Tulane, moved up to No. 9 in this week's polls.

Tulane also won the Conference USA, its first conference title since 1949, and will play in the Liberty Bowl, its first bowl game since 1987.

"Hard to follow? That's an understatement," Bowden said. "It's impossible to top it and pretty darn hard to follow it period. It'd be awfully difficult."

There has been speculation that Bowden would like to move to a school that would have a better chance of winning a national championship.

Tulane has high academic standards for players, and its rules for awarding scholarships are tougher than the NCAA's rules. Bowden lost four players this season who were academically eligible according to NCAA guidelines, but not by Tulane's standards.

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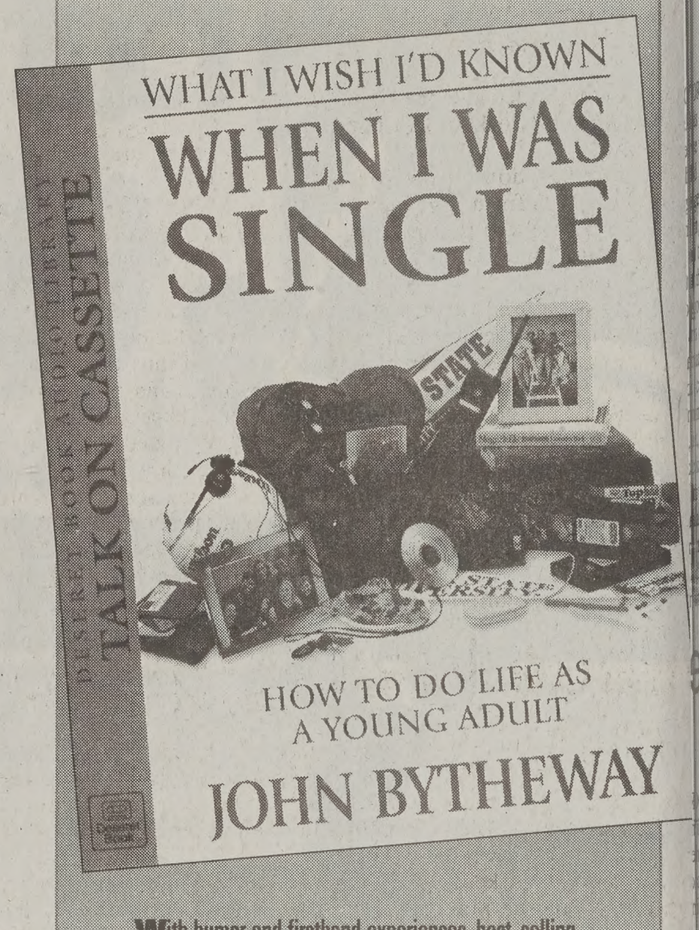
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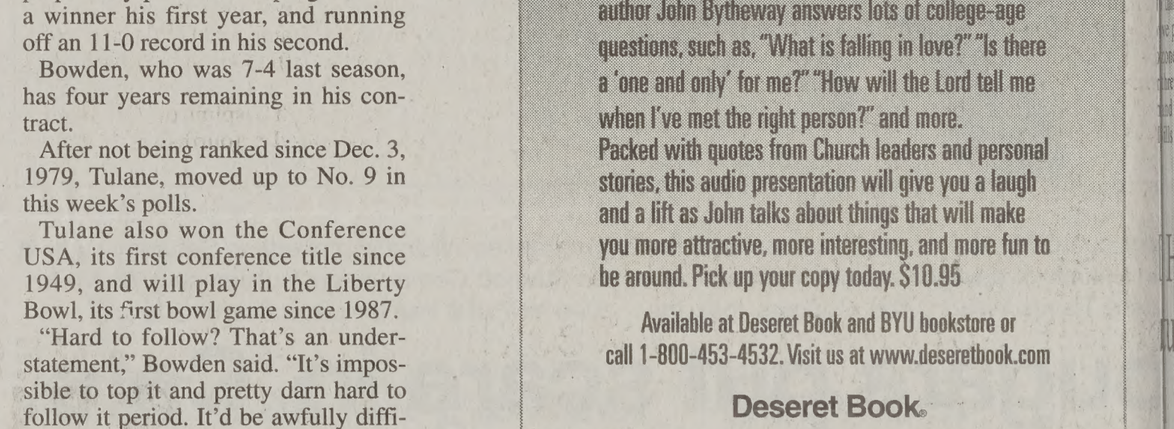

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...shed third in the Shootout, ...ost University of Oregon ...day but coming back to ... University of Illinois- ...-55 Saturday.

...ad coach Trent Shippen ...to get all of his players ...tes in the consolation game ...nd the team shot 58 percent from the field. The Cougars were led in scoring by center Jill Adams' 16 points.

BYU led most of the way against Illinois-Chicago, jumping out to a 15-point halftime lead.

"We shot really well and were able to execute much better in today's game (than Friday)," Shippen said. "Our bench did a nice job, and this win was a total team effort."

Turnovers were the story Friday as the Cougars dropped the opening game of the Shootout to Oregon by 18 points.

The Ducks have made five consecutive trips to the NCAA Tournament, and going into play Shippen knew it would take a lot to come out with a victory.

"Oregon is a very, very good program in the Pac-10," he said. "On their home court it (is) very difficult to win."

BYU forward Cady Williams led the Cougars with 14 points Friday, and the team shot 48 percent from the floor.

But that wasn't enough to counteract its sloppy ball-handling. The Cougars committed 31 turnovers against Oregon.

BYU did manage to stay close, tying the game at 41-41 with 15 minutes remaining in the second half, but Oregon took control late and went on to the victory.

Tuesday in Cedar City, guard Amanda Covington led the Cougars to their first road victory of the season, defeating Southern Utah University 87-80.

Covington scored 27 points and the Cougars held SUU to under 30-percent shooting to counteract more turnover trouble.

Sophomore center April Hayes added 14 points off the bench, and Adams pulled down a team-high 11 rebounds.

Southern Utah kept the game close, with BYU holding only a two-point edge with two minutes left in the game. But the Cougars managed to pull away thanks to good shooting from the free-throw line.

"We executed very well down the stretch and stayed focused," Shippen said. "April Hayes did a great job for us and we also played great defense and didn't allow them any second looks."

Up next for the Cougars, whose record now stands at 3-2, is the University of California at Santa Barbara on the road Thursday.

...A lockout probably will extend into January

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...ORK — It's called the January Theory, ...s that the NBA lockout will last at least ...e weeks.

...l be that they don't meet for another ...gent Steve Kauffman said Sunday. "I've ...ng my players for the past couple of ... they shouldn't expect to play until mid- ...the earliest."

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...t take another three weeks of lockout ...atch that month lull. So far, the sides in the NBA dispute have gone 10 days since their last full bargaining session, and that 9 1/2-hour meeting was the only one the sides had in November.

Currently, the owners and players are at odds over whether there will be preconditions for a resumption.

About 120 players participated in a conference call Saturday and were brought up to date on the stalemate, a union spokesman said.

Monday will mark the second missed payday for the players, and a new month will begin Tuesday with the outlook bleak.

Millions of dollars have been lost, the fans are upset and the long-term damage could be worse than expected.

Stern and deputy commissioner Russ Granik have staunchly refused to set a "drop dead" date for saving the season, although they have alluded to mid-December being the ballpark date.

That vague deadline could be extended, however, if Stern backs off his insistence upon having the deal put on paper and ratified — a process that could take 2-3 weeks — before the lockout would be lifted.

"If they back off that 2-3 weeks, it's a different story. Then the January theory makes a lot of sense," said Kauffman, who represents 19 players. "And remember, we can go from a doomsday scenario to a settlement in a matter of 2-3 days."

Stern and Granik have said four weeks would be needed from the time a deal was reached until the season could begin, but in reality that window could be shrunk to three weeks — and maybe as few as 18-20 days — to allow for free agent signings, trades and training camps to take place.

So if an agreement were reached Jan. 4, for instance, and the signing-training camp period was shrunk to 20 days, the season would begin Sunday, Jan. 24 — one week before the Super Bowl and one week after NBC was scheduled to begin its weekly telecasts.

Each team would then be able to play a 46- or 48-game season, but only if two weeks were added on to the end of the regular season in April.

...dsoe leads Pats to 2nd comeback of week

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...time but one play left after ...e pass interference call in ...one against Henry Jones, ...rew a 1-yard pass to Ben ...d New England beat the ...ls 25-21 Sunday.

The weird finish ended on a strange note when kicker Adam Vinatieri ran for the two-point conversion with no opposition after the Bills had left the field.

The win moved the Patriots (7-5) into a tie with the Bills, one game behind the New York Jets in the AFC East, as Buffalo lost for just the second time in nine games. And Bledsoe ruined Doug Flutie's homecoming in a stadium where he had been 10-0.

Flutie, the former Boston College star, threw for an NFL career-high 339 yards and two touchdowns, the last a 2-yarder to Andre Reed that gave Buffalo a 21-17 lead with 6:14 left. New England got the ball for the last time at its own 18-yard line with 1:52 and no timeouts left.

On Monday night, Bledsoe had fractured his right index finger during the drive that gave the Patriots a 26-23 win over Miami on his 25-yard pass to Shawn Jefferson with 29 seconds left.

Playing with a splint on his finger, Bledsoe faced a fourth-and-9 at the Buffalo 36 with 11 seconds to go. He came through with a 10-yard completion to Jefferson, who dragged his feet just in bounds. Then, with six seconds remaining, Bledsoe lofted the ball into a crowd in the left corner of the end zone, where Jones interfered with Terry Glenn, putting the ball at the 1.

Then Bledsoe, with linebacker Sam Rogers applying pressure, threw into the deep right corner of the end zone, where Coates had gotten behind Marlo Perry.

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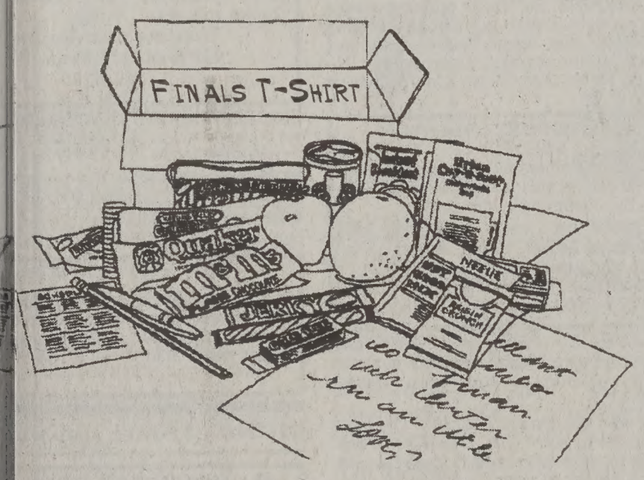

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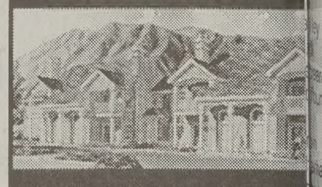

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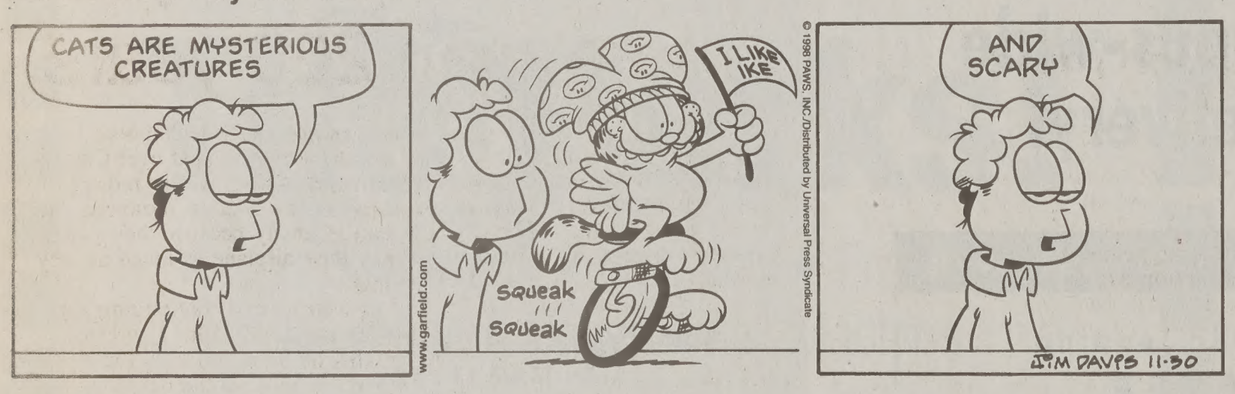

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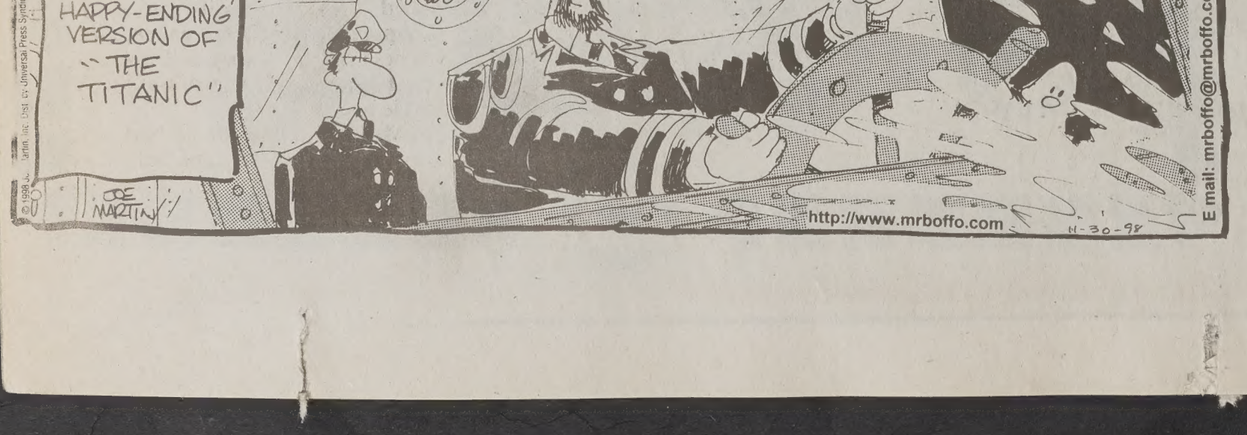
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800 South Koreans visit war-torn north

Associated Press

CHANGJON, North Korea -- Lee Kang-ik, 70, laboriously climbed the peak of a North Korean mountain, knelt on the cold granite and prayed to be reunited with the wife and daughter he hasn't seen for nearly half a century.

"Lord, how long will you prolong this tragedy? Isn't 50 years of separation enough?" Lee cried as tears streamed down his wrinkled face. Overcome with emotion, he had to be helped down the slope.

Lee was one of 800 tourists from South Korea on an unprecedented tour of North Korea's Diamond Mountain, a wilderness of high crags, steep valleys and rushing streams.

Most of the visitors were elderly North Korean natives who were separated from their families during the 1950-53 Korean War, a fate shared by 10 million people on both sides of the border.

No family reunions took place during the tour, a joint venture between Seoul's Hyundai group and North Korea. The five-day, four-night visit ended Sunday when the tourists' cruise ship returned to the South.

As the 11 sleek tour buses drove during the trip down a cement-paved road exclusively built for tourists, shabby-looking North Koreans walked across fields or along dirt paths running alongside, many carrying heavy bags on their heads or backs.

Many North Koreans also were working in the fields, using only small tools such as shovels, picks and hand carts. None appeared to pay any attention to the visitors

Lee and many other separated families used the visit to the mountain to hold memorial services for their deceased ancestors or pray for reunions with lost families.

Seven months after the Korean War broke out in 1950, Lee, then 22, fled to South Korea to evade being drafted into North Korea's army. He left behind a 20-year-old wife and a 3-month-old daughter.

"I thought the war would end soon and we could be reunited," Lee said, heaving a sigh. "Who could have imagined that the separation would last 50 years -- and, maybe, forever?"

Forty years later in 1991, Lee, through a friend in the United States, found that his wife, now 68, and his daughter, 48, were still living at his native home in Haeju, a major city on the North's west coast.

Pretending that he resides in the United States, Lee has since exchanged about 50 letters with his wife and daughter. All of his letters were first sent to the United States where they were re-mailed to North Korea.

He has kept his residence in South Korea secret even to his family in the North, because he fears his whereabouts could endanger them. North Korea reportedly persecutes residents with immediate relatives in enemy South Korea.

Park Soon-yong, 76, also a refugee from North Korea, learned during the tour that his mother died in a U.S. bombing raid in 1951, during the height of the war. He had last seen her a year before her death.

After the cruise ship arrived at Changjon port last Thursday, Park approached North Korean officials for information about his mother, who had a fish-processing business in the port in 1950.

Responding to his repeated appeals, North Koreans checked records and told him how his mother died.

On Saturday, Park held a memorial service for her. He set up a makeshift altar on a rock on Diamond Mountain and made traditional deep bows in her memory.

"Mother, I've come to know today officially for the first time that you died 47 years ago. I've come too late. Sorry, mother," he recited in a prayer.

For Kim Taek-ki, 70, the trip brought fresh agony.

Kim had hoped to locate or hear about his parents and four brothers he has not seen since 1950. The tour was scheduled to pass through his native village, Onjung-ri, at the foot of Diamond Mountain.

But the village of 500 homes was gone. Several state retreat centers stand where the village used to be. Kim found that all 2,000 villagers were relocated to other areas 20 years ago.

Kim, a farmer, became separated from his family when he fled to the South a few months after the war started and was drafted into the South Korean Army.

His oldest brother, Kim Taek-sung, was already serving in the North Korean army.

"I might have fought one of many battles against my brother during the war," Kim said. "What a tragedy. So many years have passed since the war ended. But the real war still continues, a war against agony."

Evidence found in abortion doctor's murder

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. -- Evidence, including human hair, that may be linked to last month's murder of a doctor who performed abortions has been found behind the victim's home, The Buffalo News reported Sunday.

Dr. Bernard Slepian was shot by a sniper through a window in his suburban Buffalo home on Oct. 23.

An investigator who spoke on condition of anonymity told the newspaper that the new evidence, found on and around a tree, was being checked for the presence of DNA.

If traces are found, police will try to match them with samples taken during a search at the former home of James C. Kopp, in St. Albans, Vt., investigators said.

Kopp, 44, an abortion protester, is being sought for questioning. Police have not called him a suspect, but have obtained a material-witness warrant for his arrest.

"We're not sure yet if the stuff that was found was left behind by the killer or somebody passing through the woods," the investigator said. "And this kind of evidence is worthless if you don't have something to match it up with."

High-tech lasers help WVC police trace bullets

Associated Press

WEST VALLEY CITY -- For nearly 100 years, police trying to reconstruct crime scenes have relied on wooden dowels and yards of string to trace the path of spent bullets.

Not anymore, though, at least not in West Valley City, where police have added a touch of Hollywood high tech with disco smoke and laser beams.

In the last four months the police department has used lasers to trace ballistics in more than 20 shootings, said Lt. Charles Illsley, spokesman for the department and president of the International Association for Identification.

"It's quicker, it's more convenient. It has a little more sex appeal," said Barry Fisher, director of the Scientific Services Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, a 5,000-member professional organization. "What you're using is a high-tech way of dealing with a low-tech problem."

The lasers and expertise have come courtesy of Calvin Ostler, a former investigator in the Utah Medical Examiner's Office with a background in forensics and chemistry who is now president of LumaChem, a subsidiary of Ostler Scientific International.

With advice from West Valley police, Ostler has developed the Scene Sweeper, a self-contained forensic laser kit specially designed for police work.

Bullets have been tracked with lasers for about five years, said Fisher, but the practice has been limited by a lack of adequate yet affordable laser power.

Ostler's kit can track bullets that travel up to 1000 yards. Add a fog machine and bullet trajectories can be photographed and shown to a jury.

The bottom line for investigators, said Illsley, is more accurate crime scene reconstructions. "The old technique lacks scientific integrity," he said.

Ostler volunteers his services to police departments statewide for a simple reason: "I hate criminals. I really do. I've seen the (stuff) they do and I hate it."

He spent three years in the medical examiner's office investigating some of the state's grisliest crimes - the Ogden HiFi Shop murders, Arthur Gary Bishop's multiple murders of young boys and the Lafferty brothers slayings in American Fork.

"The ones that go after kids, I want to put them in jail," said Ostler. "That's the passion that drives me."

The most recent and highest-profile use of the laser tracers in Utah thus far was in the Nov. 7 driveby shooting that claimed the life of 16-year-old Bethany Hyde.

A week after Hyde's death, police propped up six of Ostler's high-powered argon lasers at the intersection where the shooting occurred, each beam tracing the path of a single bullet. The results were eerie.

The beams painted four dots on the car. One beam passed through the back window and out the other side and pointed police to an impact mark made by a bullet on a curb 100 yards away, Ostler said.

The last beam went through the back door and touched the far passenger door -- the path of the bullet doctors took out of the teen-aged victim.

On the heels of the publicity generated by the Hyde case, other agencies have contacted Ostler. Next week he will set up nine beams in Green River to reconstruct the scene where Emery County worker Charles Watterson was killed by a sniper while grading a road.

Watterson's assailant is believed to have fired as many as 25 shots from a .22 caliber rifle from about 80 feet away. Nine struck Ostler. Emery County Sheriff LaMar Guymon said the goal is to pinpoint bullet trajectories and the location of the shooter.

"We pretty much have those things," said Guymon, "but this just helps build our case -- to prove we know what we think we do."

Illsley said that with multiple bullets the point where the beams converge can pinpoint where a shooter was standing.

Different entry angles and paths can indicate if either the shooter or the victim was moving. That in turn can help police determine provocation or even motive.

Illsley said Ostler has spent up to 40 hours a week doing crime reconstruction with West Valley police.

Ostler Scientific International, the company that pays his bills, develops lasers for a variety of medical uses and does some development for laser shows.

"It's all getting the technology out there and seeing if we can help get some of these guys put behind bars where they need to be," said Clark Cannon, a member of the board of directors and part owner of OSI.

Laser technology at crime scenes is not new. It was first used to illuminate finger prints in 1976. Since then forensic scientists have found that different wavelengths can make fingerprints, bone and teeth chips and body fluids literally glow in the dark.

Blood and bruises below the skin will absorb the color and appear dark under the light. Pointing a laser across a flat surface causes even minor indentations, like writing on a note pad, filed-down serial numbers and footprints in dust, to cast a visible shadow.

Lasers have been used to search out Nazi refugees and help apprehend serial killer Richard Ramirez, the so-called Night Stalker.

It was that kind of detective work that Illsley - using Ostler's lasers - was performing inside the truck of James Pinder, a Duchesne rancher charged with the murders of a couple on his ranch.

"It's totally amazing," said Duchesne County Sheriff Ralph Stansfield. "If it does what we think it's done for us ... then it's done us a heck of a job."

Stansfield said investigators believe Ostler's lasers located some fibers and fingerprints that could be relevant to the case, but the findings must be verified.

Ostler said the FBI and other law enforcement agencies are interested in buying his $10,000 forensic lasers. The kit is stronger than laser pointers used by some agencies, and the Scene Sweeper is also strong enough to detect prints, fluids and fibers.

The idea for adding ballistics capability to the Scene Sweeper came to Ostler one night as he was in bed with his wife watching a television documentary on the shooting of a man during a backyard barbecue.

The investigators in that case used 300 yards of string to roughly pin down where the shot had been fired. A laser like the one Ostler was developing at the time could have reconstructed the scene in minutes and much more accurately, he said.

The next step for Ostler is to open a garage where any police agency can bring cars used in crimes so they can be swept for evidence.

"You cannot commit a crime without leaving evidence, and with this," Ostler said, "we're going to find it."

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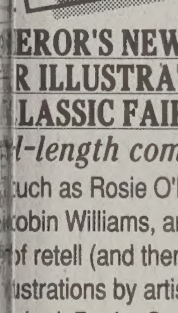
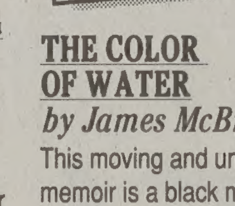
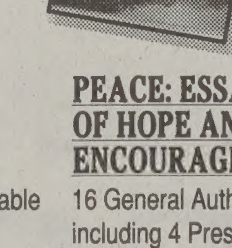
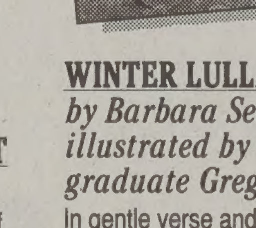

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29 Casey Jones, notably
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39 Peter or Patrick, e.g.
41 "Cut that out!"
42 Smooth and shiny
44 Catch fish, in a primitive way
46 Time in history
47 Modern-day halts to kids' fights
49 "Messiah" composer
51 "You wouldn't ——!"
52 Green flavor
53 Aussie "chick"
56 Dracula, at times
57 "Oh, nonsense!"
61 See 17-Across
64 Elderly's svgs.
65 Caspian Sea feeder
66 "Hi"
67 Defrost
68 "Auld Lang ——"
69 Baby bird

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4 Highly ornamented style
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9 State east of the Sierras
10 Easy monthly ——
11 It follows "peek" in a baby's game
12 Name of 12 popes
13 Saucy
18 Hangmen's needs
19 "Dallas" matriarch Miss ——
24 16½ feet
25 "Goodnight" girl of song
26 ". . . with —— of thousands!" (Hollywood hype)
27 Texas cook-off dish
28 Sultan's ladies
29 Excursions
30 Quiet
31 Be crazy about
32 Where Everest is
35 Nibble on
38 Most flea-bitten
40 Idyllic South Seas island
43 Aussie "bear"
45 Hit head-on
48 Neighbor of Saturn
50 Huey, Dewey or Louie, to Donald Duck
52 Soup server
53 Take some off the top
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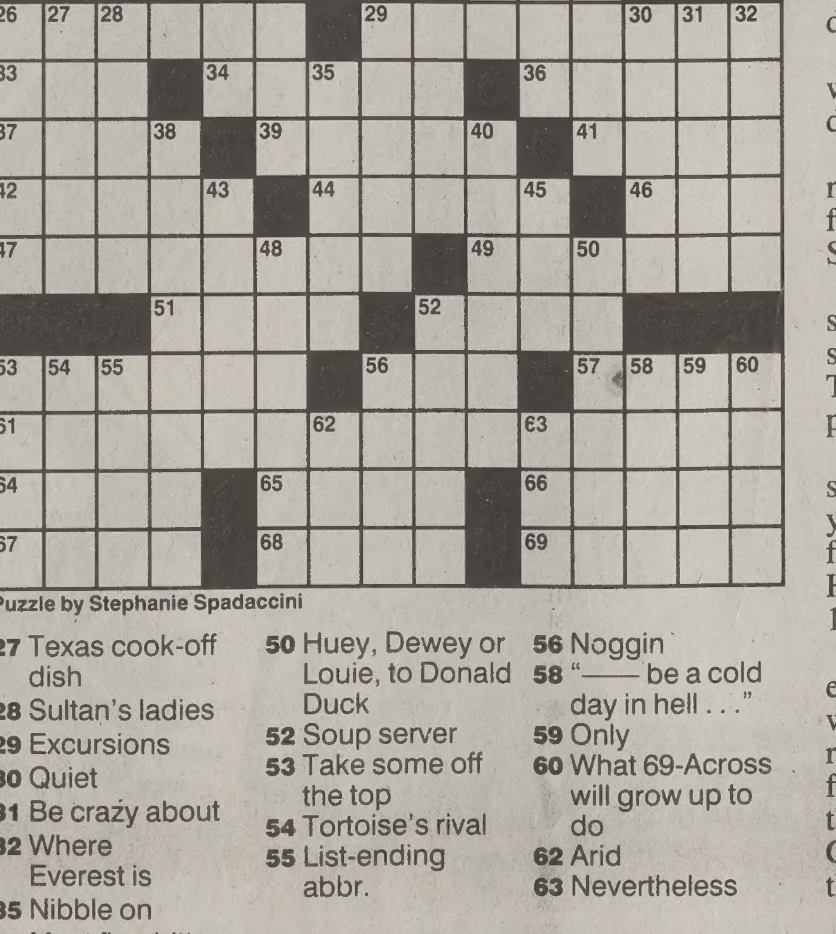

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Hurricane season winds up today; deadliest toll in more than 200 years

Associated Press

MIAMI -- This year's Atlantic hurricane season won't soon be forgotten, an onslaught of storms that left a staggering trail of death and destruction across Central America and the Caribbean.

Six of the named storms -- including the season's monsters, Georges and Mitch -- affected the continental United States and caused billions in damage.

The season, which started June 1, winds up today after racking up the deadliest toll in more than 200 years.

And more of the same is possible next year, said pioneering hurricane forecaster William Gray at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo.

"We are going to see the return of some of these type of storms," Gray said. "People have to face up to it. The insurance industry has a major problem."

Gray, who underestimated this season's activity, said the last four years have been the most active ever for hurricanes in the Atlantic basin. He expects even more hurricanes in 1999.

With the gradual fading of the latest cycle of the El Nino phenomenon, which tends to suppress Atlantic hurricanes, 1998 saw 10 hurricanes and four tropical storms. In September, there were four hurricanes at once -- Georges, Ivan, Jeanne and Karl -- for the first time since 1893.

The Pacific hurricane season, which also ends today, was about average with 13 named storms and nine hurricanes. Howard was the strongest with 150 mph sustained wind. Only Isis reached land, and then only after weakening to tropical storm force.

The Atlantic season's last gasp was Tropical Storm Nicole, which formed last week and stayed out at sea. On Sunday night, Nicole strengthened into a minimal hurricane and was expected to weaken as it was swept even farther north over cooler seas.

But it was really Mitch that provided the season's climax.

After forming south of Jamaica on Oct. 22, Mitch erupted into a Category 5 storm with sustained wind blowing at 180 mph and gusts estimated at more than 200 mph, the fourth strongest Caribbean hurricane this century.

Then it stalled over Honduras and Nicaragua with torrents of rain. Its death toll from floods, storm surge and mudslides will probably never be known but is estimated at more than 10,000.

"We have a fear in the community about illnesses from the dead -- there are still so many," Cristobal Gradis, 38, a community leader in the hard-hit village of Tololar, Honduras, said earlier this month.

"There's some they wanted to burn, but they didn't burn well. They are stacked on top of the ground. The number is uncountable."

Mitch's death toll would match Fifi, which hit Honduras in 1974, as the third-deadliest Atlantic hurricane.

The deadliest single storm on record was in 1780, killing at least 20,000 people on Martinique. A 1900 storm killed 8,000 to 12,000 at Galveston, Texas.

Mitch proved difficult for forecasters, even though they were equipped this season with a new satellite, a new hurricane-hunter airplane and other high-tech tools.

As the storm headed over Central America, they had to rely mostly on ground-level data to measure the storm's intensity because they couldn't use their airplane as much as they wished.

"It was a very challenging forecast for us," said Miles Lawrence, a specialist with the National Hurricane Center. "It pointed out some of our limitations. We have a good justification for beefing up observations in Central America."

Mitch even overshadowed Georges, which formed Sept. 15 and grew into a Category 4 storm with 150 mph wind. Georges rampaged across islands, the Florida Keys and the Mississippi Delta, causing about $1 billion in damage and at least 350 deaths in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Bonnie grazed North Carolina and Virginia in l ate August and caused up to $2 billion in damage.

Tropical Storm Charley struck Texas on Aug. 22, dumping 18 inches of rain on one small town and killing at least 19 people in Texas and Mexico.

Hurricane Earl hit the Florida Panhandle on Labor Day; a week later, Frances caused floods along the Gulf Coast from Texas to Louisiana.

The vulnerable Florida Keys got hit twice. Georges damaged an estimated 700 homes on its way to Mississippi. After Mitch weakened to a tropical storm, it spawned tornadoes that turned a Key Largo trailer park inside out.

Many Keys residents had never been through a hurricane before and decided to tough it out, a decision many regretted.

CARD *from page 1*

Dennis Crandall, resident agent in charge of the Utah office for the Secret Service, said identity theft is growing because it is a much more efficient way to steal money from people and credit card companies.

"Generally they'll grab someone's identity by working with people inside of clearing houses that deal with electronic transfers for banks," Crandall said. "They can obtain a lot more credit card numbers by stealing identity."

Beth Givens, director of Privacy Rights Clearinghouse, an organization dealing with identity theft, said identity theft is becoming more prominent because penalties are not stiff enough.

"The reason it's growing is because it's very easy to perpetuate. If you get caught, your penalty is going to be minor," Givens said.

And, according to Givens, getting caught isn't even very likely.

Credit companies are also to blame for identity theft problems said Givens.

"The major reason is credit card companies are not doing enough to identify the credit card applicant. They are allowing too many fraudulent credit cards to go through," Givens said.

Although a spokesman for MasterCard admits identity theft is a problem, he said the companies are making a substantial effort to remedy the problem.

According to a news release by MasterCard, losses due to fraudulent applications for credit cards, the most common type of identity theft, declined 3.6 percent last year when compared to sales.

Another thing that should concern people when shopping during the holidays is someone stealing their credit card number and making counterfeit credit cards.

According to the MasterCard news release, counterfeit fraud accounted for 20.5 percent of total fraud.

MasterCard and other companies are developing a microchip to put into cards to try to prevent losses from counterfeit fraud and card theft.

The microchips will allow businesses to verify credit card owners by what they call biometrics.

By using biometrics, credit card companies would be able to verify whether the user is the actual cardholder by fingerprint identification or some other physical characteristic of the cardholder.

The companies also use verification codes on the back of the card's magnetic strip to try to catch people using counterfeit cards.

Even with such high-tech countermeasures against fraud, the MasterCard spokesman admits fraud will probably always be a problem of the credit business.

"The criminals just keep coming up with ways to defeat new technology. You need to stay one step ahead of them. No matter what chip technology MasterCard develops, people will always try to find a way to defeat it," the spokesman said.

Russ Behrmann, president of The Better Business Bureau of Utah said another problem, especially during the Christmas rush, is getting businesses to even try to verify whether the person making a purchase is actually the credit card holder.

He said a lot of fraud could be stopped by checking for ID or even comparing the signature on the back of the card.

"Some clerks are reluctant to check because some customers react negatively when cards are checked," he said.

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> *-MasterCard spokesman*

"We should expect our cards to be checked for a signature, hologram and picture ID."

Behrmann also gave some tips to holiday shoppers to help protect them from credit fraud:

1. Either keep or shred bank statements to protect against Dumpster-diving criminals.
2. Do not give a credit card number to a telephone solicitor unless you initiate the call.
3. Burn credit cards to dispose of them. Do not just cut them up.
4. Make sure you only use your credit card at places you know.
5. Shred or keep credit card receipts. Do not throw them away intact.

ID *from page 1*

Pousard said she thought the employee checked only because her roommate was holding two different cards.

Representatives from the Cougareat, the BYU Bookstore and the HBLL said those organizations train their employees to check IDs.

"From our standpoint, [employees] are supposed to at least look at the card and get a signature if [the purchase] is over $20," said Dennis Lindberg, assistant director over operations and training at the BYU Bookstore. "The ID card is not transferrable; that's basically what checkers are taught."

An employee at the Cougareat's Scoreboard Grill said she does not check cards when she is busy.

"Whenever someone uses Signature Card or Dining Plus, they are supposed to check the picture to make sure it matches," she said. But, "If it's really busy, it's more difficult to check ID pictures."

Also, many of the pictures are fading or people look different than their pictures, she said.

Lindberg agreed the pictures on the ID cards do not always match up to the card's owners. But he said employees still need to check.

"If that's not working, we just need to reemphasize that," he said.

Mary O'Neill, Cougareat assistant manager, said the Cougareat plans to "tighten [their] own house," to better secure students' cards.

O'Neill said at least once every semester a lost or stolen card is used in the Cougareat.

Jim Barrett, head of training for the Signature Card office, said he estimated about eight cards total are illicitly used in a year.

"It's very, very small compared to other universities. People here are very honest."

O'Neill said the Cougareat is following a case where a student reported that debits had been made when the student was not using the card.

The student asked the Cougareat to make sure no one tries to use his social security number to buy food, without presenting a picture ID.

"We try to be cautious, but at the same time, we don't want to be overly concerned with it. You can't always take the low road," said Susie Quartey, the HBLL assistant department chair of access services.

Every source agreed the best way to prevent theft is for students to immediately report lost or stolen cards.

If a student loses a card, the first step to protect it is to call the BYU ID Center. Lost cards from all over campus come there, usually within a week.

If the card is not in the ID Center, the student must contact the Signature Card office to get a lock put on the card. (Any place with a clerk can also establish the lock.) The ID Center can help the student call the Signature Card Office.

If a student finds his or her card, the student can call and get the lock taken off. If the student replaces the card, the old one becomes invalid.

"If you lose a card and call within a day or so, we're going to protect your funds," Barrett said.

The longer a student waits to call the Signature Card office, the less the office will reimburse. But each case is individual, he said, and if a student did not know the card was lost, the Signature Card office will help.

"We're basically here to help students," he said.

O'Neill said students should also check their card balances frequently.

Barrett said the signature card office has a high recovery rate on fraudulent card use.

"Every time the card is swiped, it leaves an audit trail across campus," he said.

This trail allows the Signature Card office to trace who might have the card, based on where it is used.

"One thing we've really encouraged people to do is that if they think they've lost their card, call us, and we'll turn it off. If they find it, we'll turn it on, and there's no fee. It's a simple phone call," Barrett said.

But Pousard said she does not know what to do if she loses her ID card.

"I'm not really sure. I haven't lost it," she said. "I guess you just sign your name or something."

The phone number for the ID Center is 378-5092. The Signature Card office phone number is 378-3866.

Students can have up to $1,000 on their signature cards, but most have far less, Barrett said.

ID cards are used for copiers, printing, computer labs, the BYU Bookstore, dining services locations, vending machines, on-campus laundry facilities, access into buildings, all retail outlets, the library, concessions, the testing center and the Varsity Theater, to name a few.

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